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LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

Hang up your stockings this evening.

Matinee Saturday afternoon at the opera house.

Circuit court will adjourn to day until after the holidays

Buy Decatur coal of Geo. W, Ehrhart. Telephone 139 d21tf

For a good 5c cigar go to Combs & Inman's, 136 S. Main street. d21 1w

Christmas candies cheap at Combs & Inman's, 136 S. Main street. dec 21w1

Don't forget the Iron Moulders' annual ball at the tabernacle this evening.

Wm Neidermeyer is selling the finest mixed candies at 15c per pound. d24 1w

If nobody were making more noise than Ben Butler is you could hear the snow fall.

If you want a reliable gold pen or pencil, or pick, go to the City Book Store. d21d3tw

Get the best bread in Decatur, at Leffingwell's old stand, No. 136 S. Main St. d21 1w

Oranges, lemons and all kinds of dried and canned fruits for sale at May Bros. 19d&w.

Gents' smoking jackets, the latest novelties for Christmas presents, at B. Stine's. d6-tf

Novelties in gents' smoking jackets just received for Christmas presents, at B. Stine's. d6-tf

Murphy and Murray at the opera house on Wednesday evening, in "Our Irish Visitors."

The largest and best assortment of Christmas candies in the city at Wood Bros'. d6dw

The best mixed candy in the city. 15c per pound, at Combs & Inman's, 136 S Main St. d21 1w

Fresh dressed poultry at Peck & Co.'s, 235 opera block. Dressed on receipt of order. d23 1w

Our neighboring town of Assumption is taking steps toward the formation of a fire company.

Call at Newell Bro.'s and leave orders for Christmas Turkeys and Poultry of all kinds. d1t

Our Irish Visitors at the opera house this evening. This is said to be one of the funniest comedies of the day.

An abundance of poultry at Peck & Co.'s No. 235 opera block Order your Christmas turkey or oysters of them. d23 1w

"Our Irish Visitors" this evening at the opera house. Lizzie Allison, the Decatur lady who has chosen the stage as her profession, will appear with the company.

The first comic opera will be here Saturday. The Grau company will play "The Little Duke" at the matinee, and "The Queen's Lace Handkerchief" in the evening.

The Decatur Coal Company assign several reasons why the people of this city should purchase their coal See card in another column, headed "Decatur Coal."

Tuesday was the shortest day of the year and the commencement of winter. From now on the days will grow longer, but it will be some time until the fact is perceptible.

If you want to find the place where they don't allow any one to undersell them on children's books, fine holiday books or anything else, go to the City Book Store. d21d3tw

On December 24th and 25th and December 31st and January 1st, the I. B. & W. will sell round trip tickets to all stations at one and one-third fare, tickets good returning until January 2d.

Athletes, professional trainers, hunters, mountaineers, and all physically strong and perfect men, habitually breathe through the nostrils. This is claimed to be the reason for their freedom from colds.

Guessing the number of beans in a jug at Ferguson & Dillehunt's will close on Wednesday of next week. A valuable prize awaits the person making the closest guess. See advertisement in another column.

On December 23, 24 and 25 and on December 29, 30, 31 and January 1, the Wabash will sell round trip tickets at one and one-third fare, to all points within 150 miles of here. Tickets will be good returning until January 4th.

There will be a very pleasant Christmas entertainment at the Church of God bethel this evening. The programme will embrace the reading of appropriate and instructive selections, recitations, music, etc. Everybody cordially invited.

The Iron Moulders Social club will give a masquerade ball at the tabernacle on the evening of December 31st, for which the Opera House orchestra will furnish music. This will be the first and probably the only masquerade ball of the season, and will prove a fine affair. Mrs. Pyfaindler, a costumer of Peoria, will be at the New Deming on the day of the dance with a fine line of costumes, which will be rented at prices to suit every one.

Call at Newell Bros.' for Florida oranges, Malaga grapes, canned and bulk oysters, celery, cranberries, turkeys, and all kinds of poultry, Michigan apples, Christmas candies, and nuts of all kinds. Special bargains in sugar and coffee. d24d1w

Think of this. A $27.00 gun, with best laminated steel barrels, pistol grip, top snap, large plungers, extension ribs, double bolt, patent fore end. All the improvements on any high priced gun. It's a bargain.
E. C. REESE,
d&w1w 257 N. Main St.

The grandest and most attractive matinee the ladies and children of Decatur have ever had the pleasure of witnessing will be "The Little Duke," at the opera house, next Saturday afternoon. Admission 25 and 50 cents.

Six hundred pit cars of coal—equal to about five hundred tons—were taken from the Decatur coal mine on Monday. This amounts to precisely one car per minute for ten consecutive hours, and is the largest quantity ever raised from this mine in one day.

The Christmas entertainment at the U. B. church on Christmas eve., promises to be an event of unusual enjoyment Appropriate Christmas services, songs and declamations by the Sabbath school scholars will be the order of the evening; after which presents will be distributed and the children treated.

Having bought the finest line of ladies and gentlemen's pocket knives that any house carries, would be pleased to have you call and see them We have knives with ladies scissors, glove hooks, etc., just the thing for Christmas presents.
E. C. REESE,
d&w1w 257 N. Main St.

Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock the holiday matinee, "The Little Duke," will be given by the Grau Comic opera troupe, and at night will be presented "The Queen's Lace Handkerchief." The company has its own orchestra.

"Nobody's" Claim will be presented at the opera house on Friday evening, by Mr Jos J. Dowling and Miss Sadie Hasson. It is said to be a drama "replete with intensity, and abounding in thrilling, startling, exciting, realistic, pathetic and funny situations"

The Champion Roller Skate has been entirely remodeled and improved and it is to day, the lightest, simplest, most durable, and has the easiest motion of any skate made. You will at least not regret examining them before buying.
E. C. REESE,
d&w1w 257 N. Main St.

Overseer Newell reports a great deal of want, and even suffering, among the poor of our city. The charitable should set about relieving the wants of the deserving poor without delay. Verily here is a field in which professing Christians can prove their faith by their works. The harvest appears to be abundant, but the laborers few.

Leave your orders with Miss S. L. Shafer, at No. 103 Prairie street, north end of Central Block, in millinery, hair and fancy goods. Mrs. Dawkins has charge of hair and dressmaking department. Orders for wigs, chains, front, curls, switches and everything in our line promptly done. d14-d&wtf

Call at 219 South Side City Park for pure buckwheat flour and pure maple syrup; also a good assortment of fresh groceries cheap; and lower prices on canned goods than ever known before; queensware and glassware at less than bankrupt prices; china motto and moustache cups, and decorated ware in less than full sets at Washburn's. d21d3t.

Mr. A. Wait received a telegram yesterday from Ex-Governor St. John, informing him that he will leave St. Louis for Decatur next Monday morning, He will deliver an address at the Tabernacle in the evening of the same day. All the indications point to a large attendance from all parts of the state, and a profitable meeting is anticipated.

Give your son a practical business education, and you leave him a fortune. It is an inheritance worth more than gold, for it brings true honor, and he can never spend or lose it. Through life it ever proves a friend, and in business circles an absolute necessity. Call and read letters, from prominent business men who have sent their sons, endorsing the Central Business College. d21dtf&w1

The popular meat market of J. G. Danzeisen & Son, on Merchant street is now in holiday attire, its hooks being well hung with the choicest and finest of beef, pork, mutton, venison, etc. They have slaughtered six fine fat steers and six prize heifers for the holidays beside other fine animals. Nobody wants to let Christmas and New Years pass without indulging in a good dinner, and a holiday or family reunion dinner without a good roast of some kind would be somewhat like a face without a nose or the play of Hamlet with the part of Hamlet left out. In making up your bill of fare for Christmas, don't forget the meat, or the fact that the place to get it of the finest quality is of the accommodating firm of Danzeisen & Son.

J. G Kizer died at his home in Niantic on Sunday last. His remains were laid to rest at Harristown on Tuesday, Rev. Dr. Foster, of the Christian church, preaching the funeral sermon. He was buried by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he was an honored member, a special car on the Wabash railway bearing the sorrowful procession from Niantic to Harristown and return.

At the regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans—Camp Jesse H. Moore No 14—held on Monday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Captain, Harry M. Moore; first lieutenant, Chas. W. Hartley; second lieutenant, Robert J. Oglesby; member of council, John F. Reynolds. The order now numbers about twenty members, and holds regular meetings on the second and fourth Monday evenings of each month.

Capt. T. H. Abel, of the firm of Abel & Locke, received yesterday from Lieut. Weinberg, of the United States Army, now stationed in New Mexico, the skins of a huge grizzly bear and a wild cat. The bear was shot by Lieut. W. on the Zuni Reservation, and judging from the dimensions of his overcoat was just such an animal as any but a brave soldier would feel like fighting shy of, unless backed by a strong force.

The Illinois Central railway had a splendid parlor car at the depot yesterday evening, which is to be pulled out this morning to form part of the Teachers' Excursion train to the great International Cotton Exposition at New Orleans. We have not been able to learn what number will join the excursion at this point, but from the fact that this car makes Decatur its starting point we infer that quite a number are going to avail themselves of the opportunity to get a long ride and see a great sight at a very moderate expense or outlay.

Some time since Mrs. Dr. G. W I. Cole left her home in this city to visit relatives and friends in Joliet. While there she had an attack of malarial fever, but under skillful treatment and careful nursing was soon out of danger, and ostensibly in a fair way to speedy recovery. But she suffered a relapse and typhoid fever resulted. Her husband received a telegram yesterday morning, announcing her dangerous condition, and that her life was despaired of. Dr. Cole left on the first train for Joliet, after receiving the dispatch. It is hoped by Mrs. Cole's many friends in Decatur that she may rally from the effects of the disease and be speedily restored to health.

Some fellow, with an utter disregard for the prohibition enjoined in the eighth commandment, stole a shirt from the display stock in front of R. S. Bohon's store, on East Eldorado street, yesterday afternoon, and was getting away with it, when called to a halt by an employe of Mr. B., who had noticed the fellow make the appropriation. The shirt was returned to the owner, and the thief went his way. He was subsequently arrested by Officer Geo Andress, in the vicinity of Loeb's foundry. He confessed the larceny, and was accordinly placed in durance vile.

Adam Blenz, west side old square, invites the attention of his patrons and the public to his Christmas display of choice meats of all kinds, together with game, wild turkey, venison, antelope, Mexican chickens, celery and oysters, which he feels confident will not suffer in comparison with that of any similar establishment in the city. He slaughters the best stock to be obtained, and none but the best, while his facilities for dressing and keeping his meats are equal to any and superior to many. Careful attention to the wants of his customers, courteous treatment, and honorable dealing, entitles him to a liberal share of public patronage. Give him a call if you want a first-class roast for Christmas or New Year's dinner.

You can buy boots and shoes of Freeman Bros., 114 Merchant street, old square, as cheap as anywhere, and why not? We buy direct of manufacturers; we pay cash; our goods are all paid for; we never make a note; we owe no borrowed money and have no interest to pay; we do not [illegible] ed goods. d23d&wtj1

A TIN WEDDING.

And a Happy Benedict Made Happy Over Again.

Notwithstanding the fact that marriage is conceded to be one of the most solemn civil contracts, and one of the most important relations we are capable of forming in this life, it is by no means an uncommon thing for happy husbands, engrossed with the business of the world and the duties of the relation to forget the recurring anniversaries of his wedded bliss. The greatest and best of men do it That this is a fact we now have a case in point.

Mr. P. M. Seiberling, of Blue Mound, is one of the best men and ought to be, and doubtless is, one of the happiest in the world. He ought to be, for he is a good man, has a good wife and family and home, and all who know him speak highly of him. But he, like other great and good men, forgot the milestone in his life journey, marking a decade, and denominated his wooden wedding

But not so his amiable and devoted wife. To her the occasion was one worthy to be held in everlasting remembrance, as the preachers used to say. Knowing her husband's forgetfulness, she proposed to impress the matter upon his memory and perhaps make him "look a leedle oud," for future anniversaries. To do this she planned a surprise party, and carried it to a successful issue. The party came off last evening, and so did the surprise, so far as the worthy Mr. Seiberling was concerned. Any one who saw him when the descent was made upon his domicil would corroborate the assertion that he was surprised. His eyes stuck out like pot feet—but we pass. We will not attempt a description of his surprise and embarrassment.

But he soon was himself again, and with an ease and grace born of a clear conscience and good breeding, he made his surprising guests—his friends and neighbors—welcome, and without studied effort made them feel at home. He and his wife received many hearty congratulations and good wishes, which were acknowledged with an evidence of appreciation most sincere. A splendid supper was served, and the evening spent in social chat, music, etc., ending in a royal old-fashioned taffy pulling. It is needless to add that a more truly enjoyable time has never been known in the history of any one present, unless it was such an occasion as this commemorated.

Among those present we name: Rev. Bankston and wife, L. T Janes and wife, Dr. Tobey and wife, J. H. Scribner and wife, Mr. Miller and wife, Chas Crossly and wife, H Hurst and wife, Will Henshie and wife, Sam Henshie and wife, Jno Beckett and wife, E. E. Crider and wife, W. H. Fiery and wife, Mrs Jas. Seiberling, (mother of Mrs S.) Mrs. O. Uhrich, Messrs James Seiberling and Eugene Stuver, of Blue Mound; Henry Tincher and wife, of Danville, and Mrs. H. H Wise, Misses Hattie and Cappie Goodman, and Mr. H M. Bragg, of Decatur

The party was kept up until a late hour, and was one continual round of social enjoyment to the close, and when the time to separate arrived, the host and hostess received new testimonials of the high esteem in which they are held by their neighbors and friends.

In the midst of their joy the REVIEW was kindly remembered, for which it returns most sincere thanks and wishes Mr. and Mrs Seiberling all the joys vouchsafed to mortals here below.

Decatur Coal.

Some reasons why the people of Decatur should use it in preference to all other soft coals old in the city.

The coal shaft first secured cheap fuel for the city and stands between the people and high-priced coal to-day

The citizens formerly paid from $3 to $4 per ton for soft coal They now get it for $2.25 per ton delivered, and from $25,000 to $40,000 per annum is saved to the people by reason of the coal shaft

It enables our factories of all kinds to cheapen their products and compete successfully

It adds to the general prosperity of the city About seven hundred men women and children are directly supported by the labor it turns loose

It pays out $10,000 every month for labor and this money is almost immediately spent among the merchants and others who supply the necessaries of life.

The Decatur shaft produces the cleanest and best soft coal mined in Central Illinois

Are these not good and sufficient reasons why the people of Decatur should buy Decatur coal only? All talk and advertising about other coals shipped here being equal to Decatur coal is the merest twaddle and without any foundation in fact. The Decatur coal has less sulphur in it, makes less clinkers and smoke and burns up more perfectly than any soft coal in the market.

Many persons have complained to us that when they have ordered Decatur coal of dealers some inferior coal has been palmed off on them for clean Decatur coal In order to prevent this imposition we now suggest to dealers who sell other coal in the market. You can get Decatur coal direct from the company by leaving orders at the shaft or at Armstrong's drug store

V. H Park at his feed store, and Bryan & Hummell, in Central Block, will supply Decatur coal.

Remember that 2,000 pounds of Decatur coal is worth as much as 2,300 to 2,500 pounds of the inferior coal shipped to Decatur and sold because it can be bought by dealers for less money than good Decatur coal. Respectfully,
24dtf DECATUR COAL CO.

Mt. Olive Coal.

The Decatur Coal Company talk as if they were badly hurt, but while the people are sorry, they will have Mt. Olive coal, because in this cold weather it does not fill up their stoves and furnaces with clinkers.

Well screened nut and lump delivered at $2.25 per ton
d21 1w R. H. McCLELLAND.

PERSONAL.

Mr. James Lake was in Springfield yesterday.

Dr. L. A. Engle returned yesterday from Kansas.

Harry Hays, a student at Cornell University, N. Y., is home to spend the holiday season.

Mr. Jerome Anderson returned yesterday from a six weeks visit to Wellington, Kansas.

Dickey McEvoy, a student at Tentopolis, will spend the holiday vacation with his parents in this city.

Miss Lulu Walston is home from La Salle Seminary, to "do" Christmas and New Year with her parents.

Miss Earle Remington, who will appear at the opera house this evening in "Our Irish Visitors," was formerly a resident of Decatur.

Charley Laux, son of Mr. Nicholas Laux, of the Palace Hotel, who has been attending school in St. Louis for some months past, returned home last night, to spend the holidays.

Miss Annie Bowers, of Newark, New Jersey, is in the city again, having returned from a brief sojourn with friends in Springfield. She is stopping with her uncle, G. D. Randolph.

Masters Fred. and Ed. Gogerty, sons of Alderman Gogerty, will return to-day from Tentopolis, where they are attending school, and will spend the holidays with "the old folks at home."

Mr. Joseph Mills was in Jacksonville yesterday, having gone thither to meet his grand son, Edgar Shellabarger, who came from Salina, Kan, where his parents removed last spring, to spend the holidays with relatives and friends in this city.

Bro. Bolt, of the Ramsey Independent, ground out an editorial recently on the subject, "To the Victors belong the spoils." And now the hypercritical Assumption Enterprise wants to know if this rule is carried out, what would become of the author of the editorial?

Nobody's Claim.

The Boston Star says the following of "Nobody's Claim," which will be produced at the opera house on Friday evening by Mr. Joseph Dowling and Miss Sadie Hasson, supported by a strong company: "The third play new to Boston was 'Nobody's Claim,' at the Howard. It is written by Mr. Edwin A. Locke, with Mr. Joseph J. Dowling and Miss Sadie Hasson as its principal exponents It is a play of the old time melodramatic class, and a good one of its kind Full of startling situations, of course. But they are well introduced by the author, and well illustrated by the actors." Popular prices 35, 50 and 75 cents. Four reserved seat tickets will be given the person working the 35 cell puzzle and presenting the correct solution at the box office.

"Many a true word is spoken in a joke" is an old maxim, of which we were reminded yesterday. Two neighbors met, their beards frosted and their noses painted a plumbline. One remarked to the other that "the thermometer was about down to zero this morning" "That's nothing," replied the other, and passed on, quietly unconscious of the joke or pun he had gotten off. And now the party to whom he addressed the remark wonders if that fellow really did know that zero is the French for 0—nought—or nothing?"

Notice

All shoes now in stock must be closed out by January 1st In order to do it I will make extra low prices for the next ten days. January 1st I will open a new stock of shoes in the building between Cole's drug store and Henry Lyon's grocery, on Merchant street.
d21dwtf J. W. BAKER.

THE best on earth, can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Salve, which is a sure, safe and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. Sold by druggists.

Holiday Excursion.

The P. D. & E. Railway Co. will sell excursion tickets to all stations on their line at 2 cents per mile each way. Tickets will be sold Dec. 24. 25. 31 and Jan 1, good returning Jan. 2. dec23d1w

At the Opera House.

"Nobody's Claim" will be given Friday evening, the 26th, with Jos. J. Dowling and Miss Sadie Hasson as leading characters. This play is on the "M'liss" order, and will be certain to draw out a large audience.

Buy Your

Mixed Candies, at 15 cts a pound, and pure home-made candies for Christmas Eve., at Peter Haley's stand, on Cheap Charley's corner, on Old Square Santa Claus buys all his Christmas candy here, because it is sweet and hard to beat. 16d1w*

Coal! Wood! Coal!

George Ehrhart has a full supply of hard and soft coal, and wood at his yard, north of Shellabarger's mill. 18d

OPERA HOUSE.

Wednesday, Dec 24th,

THE COMING EVENT OF THE SEASON.

Pronounced by press and public

The Funniest Comedy of the Present Age.

MURRAY AND MURPHY

—The most artistic—

IRISH COMEDIANS

—AND—

CHARACTER ACTORS OF THE DAY

In their New and Original Production,

"Our Irish Visitors"

COL. GILHOOLEY ... THOS E. MURRAY
JERRY McGINNIS ..... MARK MURPHY

And a Company of Very Fine

Dramatic and Specialty Artists

Under the Management of

WILLIAM EMMETT,

Proprietor Olympic Theatre, Chicago

Seats on sale at Curtis & Co 's

GRAND MASQUE BALL.

Given by the Iron Moulders Social Club

—At the Tabernacle on—

Wednesday, Dec. 21st.

Mrs L. D Pyfaindler, the well known Peoria costumer, will be at Room 8 at the New Deming, on the morning of the 31st, with a fine line of ladies' and gentlemen's costumes, which she will rent at from 50 cents to $5.00.

No invitations issued Everybody invited. Admittance, $1.00 Music by the Opera Orchestra. 122 9d

OPERA HOUSE.

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Friday, December 26th

JOS. J. DOWLING,

—AND—

MISS SADIE HASSON,

In Edwin Locke's successful melodrama,

NOBODY'S CLAIM.

Thrilling! Startling! Exciting! Realistic! Pathetic! Funny!

A DRAMA REPLETE WITH INTENSITY.

A Superb Dramatic Company.

Of recognized merit.

Wonderful Scenic and Mechanical Effects, Magnificent Wardrobe and Properties.

RICH & HARRIS ..... Proprietors
E ROSENBAUM ..... Manager

Popular prices Reserved seats on sale 3 days in advance at Curtis & Co 's.

OPERA HOUSE.

GRAND OPERATIC EVENT.

Saturday Matinee and Evening, Dec. 27.

Grand Holiday Opera.

GRAU'S

Famous New York

English Opera Co.

40 ARTISTS 40

Grand Chorus. Augmented Orchestra.

At the Evening Performance, Strauss Spectacular Opera Comique

The Queen's Lace Handkerchief.

At the Matinee, New York's Last Success

"The Little Duke"

PRICES—Evening [illegible]
Matinee Prices—[illegible]
Seats now on sale at Curtis & Co.'s.

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SHELVED.

The Congo Conference Refuses to Concur in the American Neutrality Scheme.

The Damage to London Bridge by the Late Explosion Greater Than at First Supposed.

Three of the Conspirators Against the Life of the German Emperor Sentenced to Death.

OTHER NEWS.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The American neutrality scheme has been shelved by the Congo Conference through the opposition of De Courcel, who affirmed that France was unable to accept it in any form whatever. Germany and England warmly supported America.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The diver investigating the scene of the explosion at London bridge has found some more fragments of granite broken from the blocks composing the pier by the force of the explosion. Several large baulks of timber which had been firmly b[illegible] to the masonry of the bridge were broken away. An examination plainly shows that the explosion was of terrific force. The bed of the river was much disturbed for a considerable space about the pier.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The delay in the response of the powers to Granville's proposal with regard to Egyptian affairs is attributed to Bismarck. Bismarck wishes to embarrass Gladstone by obliging the British Cabinet to meet Parliament before arriving at an agreement. A large meeting of National Liberals yesterday adopted resolutions approving Bismarck's foreign policy, and [illegible] that the action of the Reichstag [illegible] worthy of the Empire and opposed to the wishes of the people.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The *Germania* (Ultramontane) [illegible] a pessimistic article compares the position of the German Empire to a dance upon a volcano, and says the general success of the Socialists, the searches of the barracks by the police, and the trial of the Anarchists at Leipsic indicate the State is beginning to decay.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—Birch & Co., bankers, have suspended in consequence of the deficiency in the Lower Austrian Bank. Their liabilities amount to $1,000,000.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—Prince Bismarck, in a letter which is made public, writes that with the Nation supporting him he will, despite his decreasing powers, fight those who would wreck the Empire and destroy it.

LEIPSIC, Dec. 23.—Sentence was pronounced yesterday in the case of the Anarchists tried last week for an attempt to assassinate Emperor William at Neiderwald. Reinsdorf, Kupsch and Kuechler were sentenced to death; Holzhauer and Bachmann were condemned to ten years' penal servitude, and Soehnger and Rheinbach and Toelln were acquitted.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—A committee has been organized to raise a fund for Prince Bismarck as an expression of the confidence of the nation in the great statesman.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Bombay dispatches state that heavy rains are damaging the cotton crop.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The Pope has resumed his attack on Free Masonry. The Archbishop of Paris has warned the clergymen of his archdiocese of the evil effects of secret societies, and has instructed them to use every endeavor to prevent their parishioners from joining the Masonic order.

THE WEATHER.

Forty Degrees Below Zero a Common Affair! Some of the Northwestern Towns—A Great Snow Blockade.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 23.—The thermometer was 8 below at noon yesterday. Reports received from other points are as follows, all being below zero: Neche (near the Manitoba line), 43; Crookston, Minn., 35; Omaha, Neb., 22; Huron, D. T., 27; Pierre, D. T., 23; Jamestown, D. T., 32; Mandan, D. T., 40; Glendive, M. T., 45. Trains are delayed three to eight hours by drifts.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Cold weather was generally prevalent yesterday, the temperature at various points being as follows: Duluth, Minn., 17 below zero; Moorehead, Minn., [illegible]; Fort Buford, D. T., 38; St. Vincent, Minn., 38; Battleford, N. W. T., 36; Qu'Appelle, N. W. T., 37. Snow fell all day in Oregon, and the blockade between Portland and The Dalles is not yet broken, and will probably not be for forty-eight hours. A passenger train is snowed in near Hood River, sixty miles from Portland. The passengers are comfortable, and provisions are taken to them daily by means of sleighs. Six engines, five hundred men and provisions have been sent to the train blockaded at The Dalles. A blockade in the Rocky Mountains prevented the trains from running on the Northern Pacific.

Brutal Tragedy in Wisconsin.

WAUSAU, Wis., Dec. 23.—Francis Deltiz, a Frenchman who has been employed as a mill-hand during the fall, attempted yesterday to strangle his wife. Failing in his purpose he left the house, going to the residence of his brother Victor. The latter had been confined to his bed for some time. Francis, on entering the house seized an axe and went direct to the bed of his sick brother and began chopping him about the head and neck. The brother was rendered senseless by the first blow, and the fiend completed his task by chopping the head and neck so that his victim is almost beyond recognition. When found beside the dead body a few minutes later Francis said: "Christ is come; I see His blood running." He was arrested, and placed in jail. He is regarded as insane on religion.

A Divided Church.

KEOKUK, Ia., Dec. 23.—The First Baptist Church of this city has experienced the beauties of secession. The church was divided in the matter of selecting a pastor. The majority called Rev. Elihu Gunn, of Fort Madison, and the minority stood firmly by the acting pastor, Rev. A. C. Peck. Sixty members have seceded and will start a new church. Rev. Peck preached to them on Sunday at the United States court-room. He denounced the majority as a band-box church.

Driving Turkeys to Market.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 23.—A drove of 150 turkeys is on the way from Searcy County to the Little Rock market. The fowls are handled and driven in the same manner as stock, three men being required to the above number. They will be driven 125 miles, arriving here for the holidays. The enterprising turkey-grower will probably receive fifteen dollars per dozen for them.

SHORT DISPATCHES.

They have ripe tomatoes in Florida.

Cardinal Consolina died at Rome Monday.

Jay Gould will go to New Orleans in his yacht Atalanta in February.

A gas well of great force has developed itself on a farm near Metropolis, Ill.

Hannibal Hamlin is about to write a book giving a history of his political life.

The centenary of the French revolution will be celebrated in Paris by a world's fair in 1889.

In Texas, December 1, there were 6,733 miles of railway—an increase during the year of 268 miles.

W. D. Parkin, furnishing goods, at Logansport, Ind., was closed up Monday by the Sheriff.

Congressman David R. Paige and Miss Eva B. Leek were married Monday at Cleveland, O.

A three-days' convention of the Iowa School-teachers' Association was begun Monday at Des Moines.

Mattoon (Ill.) Congregationalists celebrated Monday evening the anniversary of the landing of the pilgrim fathers.

The Clinton Stone Works, in Troy, N. Y., the largest in New York, shut down Monday, owing to the depression in trade.

Osman Digna is at Debbah, awaiting the British advance. There have been sent to him reinforcements of 14,000 men.

The President of the Mexican Central Road calls on the stockholders to take $[illegible] in new securities to extinguish the floating debt.

Egbert Earl and his infant daughter, of Albany, were suffocated by gas from a stove, and his wife and son are in a critical condition.

J. L. McDonnell, the bankrupt dry-goods merchant of Lincoln, Neb., has liabilities of $[illegible],000, and claims to possess assets amounting to $[illegible].

The founding of St. Peter's College, Cambridge University, six hundred years ago, was observed Monday. Minister Lowell spoke for Harvard.

John R. Williams, of David City, Neb., was arrested Monday at St. Thomas, Can., on a charge of forging the name of F. H. [illegible] to a note for $[illegible].

All the miners along the Monongahela River struck Monday for an advance of one-half cent. The operators say that they will close their pits rather than yield.

[illegible] and others have incorporated the Western News Company, of Chicago, with a capital of $500,000, to prevent the seizure of the title by parties having no claim thereto.

Financial circles in Vienna were on Monday startled by the suicide of Jean Lucas, manager of securities in a leading bank, whose brother-in-law is under arrest for embezzlement.

Memorial services to the late Bishop Wiley, who died in China, were held in the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston Monday, with an address on his life and character by Rev. Dr. L. R. Thayer.

The horses drawing Mrs. Garfield's carriage knocked down a young woman Monday at Cleveland, but inflicted no serious injuries. The widow of the murdered President presented the victim with a $10 bill.

Dr. Alvin P. Sawyer, who graduated from Hahnemann College, in Chicago, in 1880, was arrested Monday at Syracuse, N. Y., for some irregularity in his diploma. He was convicted but sentence was deferred.

Michael J. O'Brien, insurance agent, at Springfield, Ill., slipped from the steps of a railway car Monday night, suffering such injuries that both legs had to be amputated, causing death in a few hours.

Reports have reached Columbus, O., that W. P. Rend, of Chicago, has stopped operations in one of his coal mines because the men employed refused further contributions for the support of the strikers of the Hocking Valley.

In the Federal Court at Omaha Monday a judgment of $12,0[illegible] was entered in favor of the Government against Daniel Lovejoy and his sureties, being for money embezzled by Lovejoy while receiver of public moneys at Niobrara, Neb.

A remarkable brilliant meteor was observed in Jackson, Calhoun and Branch Counties, Mich., about ten o'clock Saturday night. It was almost blinding in its brilliancy, and the report of its explosion was felt throughout the counties named.

Highway Robbery in Arkansas.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 23.—The regular mail hack running between this city and Caseville was stopped seven miles from the latter place at ten o'clock yesterday morning by two armed men, who seized the mail sack and made off with it. The bag contained but one registered letter. Officers are now in pursuit.

MARKET REPORTS.

Grain and Provisions.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.

FLOUR—Quiet. Spring, $[illegible]; low grades, $[illegible]; Patents, $[illegible]; Rye Flour, $[illegible].

WHEAT—Less active and easier. No. 2 Spring, 71[illegible]; No. 3, [illegible]; No. 2 Red, 78c; No. 3, [illegible]; No. 2 Spring, January, 71[illegible]; May, 7[illegible].

CORN—Fairly active and prices ruled steady. Cash quotable at 36[illegible] for No. 2; [illegible] for No. 3; [illegible] for No. 4, and [illegible] for No. 2 Yellow; No. 2 for future delivery ranged at [illegible] for December; [illegible] for January; [illegible] for February, and [illegible] for May.

OATS—Prices steady. No. 2 quotable at 21[illegible] for cash and December; [illegible] for January; [illegible] for February, and [illegible] for May.

RYE—Quiet and steady. No. 2, [illegible] for cash and January, and [illegible] for February; No. 3, [illegible].

BARLEY—In fair demand and steady at 56c for No. 2 and [illegible] for No. 3; sample lots fair sale at [illegible] for common to choice.

MESS PORK—Prices higher. Quotations ranged at $10.85@10.90 for cash and January; $10.9[illegible] for February, and $11.3[illegible] 11.47½ for May.

LARD—Prices higher. Quotations ranged at $6.[illegible] for cash and December; $6.[illegible] $6.67½ for January; $6.[illegible] for February, and $6.[illegible] for March.

BUTTER—Market quiet. Creamery, good to choice, 22@28c; dairy, good to choice, 15@17c.

CHEESE—Market quiet. Full Cream Cheddar, 10@12c; Skimmed Cheddar, [illegible].

EGGS—Steady. Sales were made at 2[illegible] for fresh lots.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

FLOUR—Dull, heavy and declining.

WHEAT—[illegible] lower; No. 1 White, nominal; No. 2 Red January, 8[illegible]; February, 8[illegible]; March, 8[illegible]; April, 8[illegible]; May, [illegible].

CORN—[illegible] higher. Mixed Western spot, [illegible]; futures, [illegible].

OATS—Dull and easier. Western, [illegible].

PROVISIONS—Beef quiet and unchanged. Pork quiet and steady; New Mess, $11.50@[illegible]. Lard lower; Steam, $[illegible].

BUTTER—Steady and quiet. Western, [illegible].

CHEESE—Firm at [illegible].

EGGS—Western firm at 2[illegible].

DETROIT, Dec. 22.

FLOUR—Dull. Michigan Winter Wheat, $[illegible]; roller process, $4.00@4.25; patents, $[illegible]; Minnesota patents, $5.00@5.50.

WHEAT—Easy. No. 1 White cash and December, 76[illegible]c; January, 7[illegible]c; February, 78½c; No. 2 Red cash and December, 77[illegible]c; January, [illegible]c; February, [illegible]c.

CORN—No. 2 cash, 3[illegible]c.

OATS—No. 2 White, [illegible]c; No. 2, 27½c bid.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 22.

WHEAT—Active and easier. No. 2 cash and December, [illegible]; January, 80c; February, [illegible]; May, [illegible]; No. 3, [illegible]c bid.

CORN—[illegible] steady. No. 2 cash, 39[illegible]; [illegible]; January, [illegible] bid; May, [illegible]; No. [illegible] low, [illegible].

OATS—Nominal. No. 2 cash, 2[illegible]c; May, 30½c.

Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.

CATTLE—Market fairly active and prices steady and firm. Quotations range as follows: Native Shipping Steers, $5.[illegible]@5.75 for poor to fair, and $5.[illegible]@6.50 for good to prime; Cows, $2.25@3.75; Bulls, $2.50@3.00; Butchers' Steers, $4.00@4.50; Stockers and Feeders, $2.75@4.40.

HOGS—Market active and firm, and prices 5@10c higher. Sales ranged at $4.00@4.35 for light; $4.0[illegible]@4.[illegible]5 for rough packing, and $4.[illegible]@4.45 for heavy packing and shipping lots.

EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Dec. 22.

CATTLE—Slow; unchanged.

HOGS—Dull; Philadelphias, $4.30@4.35; Yorkers, $4.20@4.30.

SHEEP—Demoralized; 50c off from last week's prices.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.

CATTLE—Good stock firmer; exports, $5.00@5.15; good to choice shipping, $4.50@4.70; common to medium, $3.85@4.40; feeders, $3.60@4.00; cows, $[illegible]@3.30.

HOGS—Firmer; 10@15c higher; lots, $3.85@4.15, mainly, $4.10.

SHEEP—Steady; natives, $2.60@3.00.

ONE DOG TO THOUSANDS OF SHEEP

Walking a Drove from Missouri to Philadelphia.

[New York Sun.]

An immense drove of sheep went stumbling, tumbling and trotting out of Newark the other day on their way to Philadelphia. They seemed to walk all over one another, bumped together, and crowded until it seemed as though some must have been trodden under the feet of the others. A rough-looking countryman trudged ahead in the middle of the road and the sheep followed closely. He seemed as dusty, ill-humored and out of sorts as the sheep themselves. In the rear a tall and gaunt farmer tramped along with a long hickory stick in his hand. At every few steps he uttered a peculiar cry, and whenever the sheep lagged behind he touched them up with his hickory stick. At his heels, and bringing up the tail-end of the procession, was a long-bodied, lean and scarred shepherd's dog. He ran with his nose close to the ground, and apparently paid little attention to the drove. But when two of the sheep got astray, and trotted into a garden the dog jumped over the fence and chased them back in line in no time. As he forced them into the herd the sheep swerved away from him. The dog trotted around the drove, making it still more compact in form, and returned to his master, who by this time was walking on the sidewalk beside the writer.

"How many sheep are there there?"

"Guess."

"Well, about 800."

"You're way off," said the man, with a good-natured grin. "There's 3,328."

"Where do you take them to?"

"We drive them from here to Philadelphia, selling them on the way to butchers or whoever wants to buy them, and getting rid of what remains in the City of Brotherly Love."

"They are owned in Philadelphia, are they?"

"No, they ain't," said the man, politely. "They are owned by A. B. Matthews, of Kansas City, Mo., and they travel about fifteen miles a day, and they're an infernal nuisance."

After this he walked along in silence some time, and then made a general remark that indicated that his life was not one of unalloyed happiness.

"If it wasn't for that dorg," he said, kicking the brute affectionately as he passed him, "my mate and me could never get this cattle through on time, but that animal is worth ten men. Good sheep dorgs, you know, are scarce now in this part of the country. I wouldn't take anything on earth for mine. He's as faultless as can be, and he knows as much as any man, I don't care who he is. If I should tell you some of the things the dorg has done you'd call me a liar, and as I don't wish no such reputation I'll keep quiet."

Reflection caused by this thought overcame him, and he trudged along in absolute silence for some time. At last he raised his head and continued: "When we got at the end of a day's march, if we find that three or four of the sheep are missing, I can send that dorg back after them if they are ten miles away, and it don't make no difference where the sheep are or who's got them that dorg will get them to me, or I'll eat the whole drove, hoofs, bones, and wool."

Uncertainty of Literature.

[Boston Globe.]

Why is it that young writers harp so persistently on minor chords? Where there is one poem on home and sunshine and happy life, there are a dozen which moan over blasted hopes (at 22), twilight by the moaning sea, withered leaves, and other subjects of a more or less melancholy nature. Very few wholesome, cheery, religious verses are offered, nearly all expressing the writer's praiseworthy resignation under calamities, which never happened, and his extreme anxiety to turn his back upon the earth, which he designates as a "vale" or a "desert." The same is apt to be true of prose offerings.

All editors will unite in saying that the rarest and most difficult short sketch to procure is a racy, well-written Thanksgiving or Christmas story; while the themes of hopeless love and early death are dwelt upon with avidity. By far the most numerous class of short stories offered to magazines and weeklies is that of juvenile sketches. It is a popular fallacy that while it takes a genius to write a society novel, anybody can tell stories to children. While this delusion, for such it certainly is, has been productive of a great deal of good juvenile work, by drawing the efforts of writers to that field, it also overloads the mail-bags with a vast amount of inanity intended to nourish the youthful imagination and appease its pangs for intellectual entertainment. Try to read one of these stories aloud to half a dozen mischievous boys and girls and see whether it holds them. There's the real test.

At the bottom of all, the real fact is that the literary market is overcrowded, the surplusage being largely composed of those who, as Holmes says, mistake laziness for inspiration. Half a century ago the case was different. In the first place, literary work was then poorly paid, as may be seen by the $5 checks Hawthorne and Longfellow received for some of their finest productions, and secondly, the natural consequence was that there was but little really good writing. Again, many of the fields which were then open to writers have been since trampled over until their flowers are all plucked, and their turf plowed up for corn and beans.

Altogether literature is, as has been well-said, a most uncertain staff. While, however, there is much in the present condition of things to discourage those who are preparing themselves for this work, it is to be remembered that there is a constant demand, even in the editorial offices of our largest magazines and papers, for bright, wholesome, earnest articles, stories and poems on subjects that tend to cheer and amuse as well as elevate. Of such the market is never full.

Cautious French Capitalists.

[Paris Cor. London Times.]

A phenomenon is now observable in France which is occupying the attention of financial circles. New speculations and new investments have become impossible. In vain are the walls placarded with prospectuses of the most promising undertakings; people refuse to intrust their savings to them. The leading banks find the public deaf to their appeals, however honorable and advantageous their offers; and not long ago a railway company of excellent credit made a fruitless attempt to issue debentures the soundness of which was indisputable. The crash caused by the collapse of the Union Generale has implanted in the French mind a distrust of all new undertakings and bourse securities. During the two previous years there had been a universal mania for speculation. When the crash came it appeared that scarcely any of the undertakings had succeeded; and even the best-planned ones, if they escaped death, have since merely vegetated.

Portentous Cogitation.

[Fall River Advance.]

When a woman becomes so absent-minded as to forget to hold her hand so that the light will fall upon her diamond ring it is safest for her husband to give her a wide berth. She is doing some dangerous thinking.

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Rooster that Wins!

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Is the Best Soft Coal in this part of the State because it is very free from slate and sulphur and makes

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either in stoves or open grates. For the present I am selling this coal at $2.00 per ton at my yard, and $2.25 per ton delivered to any part of the city, Strictly for Cash.

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Value 25 Cts. all Linen Colored Bordered Hem Stitched 10 Cts

Value 50 Cts. all Linen Colored Bordered Embroidered Corner 25 cents.

Beautiful Plain and Fancy Handkerchiefs at 15, 20, 25, 50 cents up to $1.50.

SUITABLE FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS [illegible] BARGAINS

[illegible]

All $1.[illegible] and $1.50 Silk Handkerchiefs at $1.[illegible]

A few very Elegant Fancy Handkerchiefs at $2.00, each worth nearly double.

Children's Combination Shirts and Waists, knit of fine Cashmere Wool, worth $1.[illegible]

Same in larger size for misses worth $2.00 for $1.25, comfortable, warm and nice for children.

All Ladies' Winter Gloves at 25 cents a pair worth double.

Ladies' Very Best $1.00 Leggings 75 cents.

Misses' " " " 75 cent " " 50 "

" " " " 50 " " 35 "

" " " " 40 " " 25 "

KID GLOVES.

5 Hook Best Guaranteed Quality Blk & Col'rs $1.[illegible]

7 " " " " " " $[illegible]

4-button " " " " " $1.[illegible]

Worth $1.50 and $2.00.

The above goods must and will be closed out, and from now until Christmas we will present each purchaser of the above with an elegant Leather Bound Autograph Album which brings the Gloves down to less than half price.

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" " $1.50 Camel's Hair and Scarlet Underwear $1.00.

Ladies' 50 ct. White Merino Underwear at 40 cts.

" 75 " " " " 50 "

" $1.00 fine all wool scarlet silk bound 75c

" $1.50 " " " " " $1.00

" $2.00 " " " " " $1.25

Children's 10 cent hosiery at 8½c or 4 pair for 25c

" 25 to 35 cts all wool seamless hose 20c

" 35 to 50 " " " black and colored 25 to 35 cents.

Children's 60 to $1.00 French ribbed and fine Cashmere Hosiery all colors and black at 50 cts. per pair.

Men's Cardigan Jackets 75 cents and $1.00

Men's fine all wool Handknit Cardigan Jackets at $1.50 and $2.00 worth $3.00, $4.00 and $5.00 each.

$8.00 Cloakings at $1.50 a yard.

$10.00 Seal Plush Cloakings at $5.00.

Cassimeres, Jeanes, Blankets, Bed Comforts Scarlet and Plaid Flannels, Canton Flannels, Table Linens, Towels, etc., 40 to 60 per cent less than can be obtained in any other retail store. Do us the honor and yourselves the justice of inspecting the above before you pass judgment.

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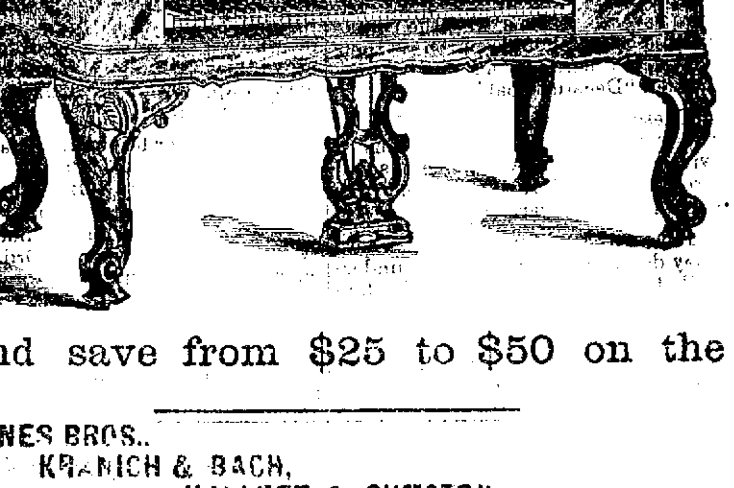

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Our Annual cheap Holiday Sale is in full blast. Open evenings until Christmas. Everything New and Beautiful. Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Silks, Velvets, Lady's Cloths, Tricots, Plaids, etc. New and handsome lines of Neckwear, Ruchings, Collars, Fichues, etc., many styles not obtainable elsewhere. Hats, Bonnets, Plumes, Tips, Birds and Fancy Feathers. Ornaments at greatly reduced prices—fully 25 per cent. less than any other establishment. Inspection invited.

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LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

William Wilson & Co., bankers at Earlville, have failed. Liabilities $75,000.

Dry stove wood at Geo. Ehrhart's. 18d

Order your coal of George Ehrhart. 18d

Boys' all-wool flannel waists at B. Stine's. d6 tf

Drayman's ball at the tabernacle this evening. It promises to be a very pleasant affair.

Choice bulk and canned oysters at Wood Bros'. d6dw

Nice mixed candies 15c per pound at Wood Bros'. d6dw

Zephyrs and crewels at cost, at Miss Watson's. d4-d&w

The employes of the coal company at Bloomington, with their families, comprise about 1,560 of the people of Bloomington.

Children's school shoes cheap at Barber & Baker's. d21dw2w

Overshoes of all descriptions at Barber & Baker's. d21dw2w

Telephone Geo. Ehrhart when you want nice clean coal. 18d

Home made broken candy 20c per pound at Wood Bros'. d6dw

All-wool red flannel drawers, at B. Stine's, 75 cents a pair. d6-tf

Fine cigars and choice confections at Combs & Inman's. d14d&w1w

The jurors drawn for the fifth and sixth weeks of circuit court, and summoned to appear on the 29th inst., have been excused until Monday, January 5th.

For a dress or business suit go to Ed. Denz, Central Block. d6d3w

Ed. Denz has just received a lot of the finest suitings in the city. d6d3w

A handsome line of candy boxes for the holidays at Wood Bros. d6dw

If you want an Excelsior diary for 1885, go to the City Book Store. d21 d3tw

Gents genuine aligator slippers for Christmas at Powers & Haworth's. d10dw

Best 25 cent dinner in the city at Kreb's lunch room, 145 E. Prairie St. o26dtf

Trimmed hats and caps at less than cost at Miss Watson'f, Haworth Block d19d&w1w

The place to buy your fine plush goods is the 99c store. You will save 50 per cent. 18d&w1w

Ye hungry mortals, go to Combs & Inman's restaurant for the best meals in the city. d14d&w1w

Foreign and domestic fruits and choice candies at Peck & Co.'s, 235 Opera Block. d14d1w

George W. Ehrhart's coal yard and office is north of Shellabarger's mill, on Water street. d16dtf

There will be a ball at the hall of Eureka Assembly, K. of L., on the evening of the 30th. d16dtd.

When in need of coal or wood call on F. D. Caldwell and see what he can do for you. Telephone 306. d14 dtf

Nice Florida oranges at Peck & Co.'s. In short, if you want a good Christmas dinner, call on them. d14 d1w

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to James Troutman, of South Haven, Kansas, and Miss Angeline Sheets, of Decatur; also to Wm. M. Hinight and Miss Mary E. Moore, both of Macon county.

D. H. Heilman has just received a consignment of oranges direct from Florida, which are now on sale. d14 d1w

Every purchaser of boots or shoes at Barber & Baker's will be presented with a nice Christmas chromo. d21-dw2w

If you want scrap books in endless variety, go to the City Book Store, where you can buy them cheap. d21 d3tw

If you want to find a full stock of Christmas cards, at low prices, to select from, go to the City Book Store. d21d3tw

Canned and bulk oysters and fresh celery at P. Ruebsamen & Co.'s at their new store next to Millikin's Bank. N1—&f

May Bros. sell California fruits and maple syrup. Also the buckwheat flour for the cakes to eat with the syrup.

For choice oranges, California fruits, and Christmas candies, go to Wm. Niedermeyer, on Merchant street. d21d1w

Cheapest books, cheapest albums, cheapest Bibles, and lower prices on everything at the City Book Store. Dec 16d3tw1

Miss. S. C. Watson's Haworth block, for millinary of all kinds, ladies and children's under wear, &c. &c. 19d&w.

Carter's Little Liver Pills will positively cure sick headache and prevent its return. This is not talk, but truth. One pill a dose. To be had of all druggists. See advertisement.

The Altman Telegraph makes mention of the finding of a letter containing a $1,000 draft, mailed eight years ago at St. Louis and addressed to the Alton Bank, the draft having been drawn by the old Bunker Hill bank. It reached Alton in due time and became so lodged between the postoffice lock-box belonging to the bank and the side that it was not discovered until a short time ago.

Old ladies' warm lined shoes cheap at Barber & Baker's. d21dw2w

A large assortment of men's Christmas slippers, cheap at Barber & Baker's. d21dw2w

Prescott has them! What? Just the pianos and organs suitable for Christmas presents and at prices for the times. d12d

Dolls of all kinds and prices at the 99c store. Also toys and games of all kinds, and cheaper than the cheapest. 18d&w1w

The REVIEW is in receipt of an invitation to the third annual ball of Royal Lodge No. 109 K. of P., of Maros, which will be given in the new Masonic hall at that place on Tuesday next. Music will be furnished by the Clinton orchestra. It will be a swell affair.

Oil paintings, real gold leaf frames 24x36 for $3.50 at the 99c store. Just the thing for Christmas presents. 18d&w1w

Leave orders with Peck & Co. for fresh dressed poultry, dressed immediately on receipt of order. 235 Opera Block. d14d1w

F. D. Caldwell can furnish you with coal or wood (all kinds) on short notice. Telephone 306. Always bottom prices. d14dtf

Morehouse, Wells & Co. show nearly three hundred patterns of pocket knives, varying in price from five cents to three dollars.

See the elegant line of Carvers displayed by Morehouse & Wells, and don't let the tea pots and scissor cases escape your attention.

If you do not want to fall on the slippery sidewalks, wear a pair of Ice Creepers. You can get good ones from Morehouse, Wells & Co.

Guns and revolvers at greatly reduced prices to reduce stock before Jan. 1st. E. C. REESE,
d&w1w 257 N. Main St.

Call at R. N. Hughson's and see the picture of old Santa Claus, painted by F. M. Cretors, of this city. Young and old will appreciate it. d11dwtf

Snyder's pure green fruit preserves are kept by May Bros. at their grocery on South Main street. Try them for an apetizer at lunch or for dessert 19d&w

Remember that the City Book Store has the largest variety of Christmas Cards, and more of them, at lower prices, than elsewhere in the city. dec16d3tw1.

If you want to see the nicest assortment of plush goods in the city—plush work boxes, plush desks, plush photograph albums, and plush mirrors, go to the City Book Store. d21 d3tw

Prizes of turkeys, chickens and cash will be shot for at the shooting gallery on Prairie street, opposite the postoffice, to-day and every day till New Years. 19tny

You can buy anything in a nice present you want very cheap, and a new stock to select from at R. N. Hughson's new book store, East Eldorado street. d11dwtf

George Lower, agent of the 'Frisco Line, will run an excursion over his road, to Missouri, Kansas and Arkansas, Monday, December 29th instead of 31st. Call on Lower for particulars.

I. F. Peck & Co. receive country butter regularly from some of the best butter makers in the country, and persons wishing a first-class article, pure, fresh and sweet, should give them a call. Telephone No. 8. 17d&w1w

If you want good syrup, fine Florida oranges, bananas, dates, figs, pure sugar candies, preserves, oysters in bulk or can you can get them at Peck & Co.'s, 235 N. Water street, where may be found a full line of staple and fancy groceries. 17d&w1w

See the advertisement of "Silver Metal," spoons and forks. These goods are made from a composition of metals which are not tarnish in ordinary acids found in food any more than solid silver. They are very reasonable in price and well worth your investigation.

Austin's club shooting powder, made especially for breech loading guns. Suits everybody—burns moist, is clean, strong, and gives great penetration. Sold by
E. C. REESE,
d&w1w 257 N. Main St.

D. S. Shellabarger & Co., will deliver to any part of the city until further notice—
Corn per bushel, 35 cents.
Oats (well cleaned) per bushel, 27 cents.
Bran 100 lbs 60 cents.
White shorts 100 lbs. 80 cents.
Corn chops 100 lbs. 80 cents.
n23dtf

Donation Party.

Mr. T. T. Van Allen will give away a fine plush toilet set valued at $5.00, at the roller skating rink on Christmas night. Every lady purchasing a ticket will receive a check entitling the holder to one chance in the award. Each gentleman purchasing a ticket will also receive a check entitling him to a chance in a box of fine cigars. Goodman's full band will furnish music. Come out and see the fun. n24d2t

Gottfried Trenscher, who was run over by an Illinois Central train at Lincoln the other night, and had a limb cut off, died from its effects Sunday. Tenscher, shortly after he was hurt, said that his name was Fred Gottfreid, and that he lived at Minonk, Ill. His home is at Roanoke, Ill., whither his body was taken for interment. He was a man about 25 years of age.

It is cold, of course it is, but it is good healthy weather, particularly if people keep warmly clad. They should wear good, warm underclothing throughout the winter. Ladies should go to Mess S. C. Watson's, in Haworth Block, for ladies' and children's all-wool knit underwear. There are bargains to be had. d19d&w.

The Soldiers' Monumental association at Jerseyville has contracted with W. H. Aoughtlin of this city to erect in the center of the county, a $2,000 monument to the memory of the heroes of Jersey county who fell in battle or were the victims of disease in the late war The monument is handsome in design and will be completed and unveiled next Decoration day.

There will be a meeting of the standing committee of the Eldership of the Church of God, at the Bethel in this city, at 2 o'clock next Monday afternoon.

R. N. Hughson is bound not to be undersold in toys, books, Christmas cards and fancy goods. Call and see bargains at his new book store, East Eldorado street. d11dwtf

The Decatur Coal company would inform the citizens of Decatur who desire to use Decatur coal that they cannot get it by ordering it of R. McClelland, E. L. Martin or F. D. Caldwell, as the coal company does not any longer sell them coal, not for personal reasons, but because they are the agents of other coal shipped here from other mines. Order direct from the shaft or leave orders at Armstrong's drug store, in the city. Mr I. O. Eyman will solicit orders for Decatur coal. d18d1w

Comic opera matinee. "The Little Duke," at the opera house on Saturday afternoon.

J. S. Carr, Pres't. Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Co., Durham, N. C., says: "This is the first testimonial that I have ever given for any preparation, yet I am so much pleased with Athlophoros that I almost feel it a duty. I have known its use to give entire relief in cases of severe neuralgia in the face and head. I unhesitatingly recommend Athlophoros to persons suffering from neuralgia or rheumatism."

"Bound not to be undersold in Christmas goods," as some local dealers have advertised. Now for fun But I do not mean fun. Nor I do not mean to deceive the people by advertising old stock as all new. Now I can say, my entire stock of children's Christmas books, plush toilet cases, work boxes, albums, Christmas cards, oil paintings, anything you want in a nice present, is all new, and all of which will be sold by January 1st, regardless of cost, at my New Book Store in the building recently occupied by Dinneen & Doyle, East Eldorado street.—[R. N. HUGHSON. d11dwtf

"Our Irish Visitors."

The above play will be presented here on next Wednesday evening by the popular commedians, Murray and Murphy. It is a laughable comedy, and is thus spoken of by the Cincinnati Times-Star, of November 17th: "Murray & Murphy's Star Comedy company presented "Our Irish Visitors" at the People's Theatre last night. The house was packed to its utmost capacity, the sign, "Standing Room Only," being hung out at an early hour. The audience was kept laughing from the time the curtain rose until it was rung down. Although there is no plot to the play it is more ludicrous than the "Bunch of Keyes." Popular prices 35, 50 and 75 cents.

Christmas is Coming,

And W. C. Armstrong has a splendid line of odor cases, Celluloid toilet sets, glove and handkerchief boxes, cuffs and collar boxes, work boxes, whisk holders, bisk figures, combs, brushes, perfumeries of the best manufactureres, all of the latest patterns. All designing to make a Christmas or New Years present are requested to call and examine our stock before purchasing, as our prices are adapted to the times. Remember the place, 117 East Main street. d18 1w

Presents for Boys and Girls.

Children accompanied by their parents or parent will receive during the next two weeks at our store, some token or Christmas present of their own choice, out of a large lot expressly bought for this purpose.
BIG 18 CHEAP STORE. d2J

NOVEMBER.

[Eugene Field in Chicago News.]

The woods are sere and the sedge is sere
And gray is the autumn sky,
And the winds will through my riven soul
As I lonely I sit and sigh
"Good-bye,"
To the goose-birds as they fly.

With his weird wishbone to the temperate zone
Came the goose-bird in the spring,
And he built his nest in the glorious west
And he sat on a stump to sing—
Sweet thing!
Or flap his beautiful wing.

But the boom of the blast has come at last
To the goose-bird on the lea.
And the succulent thing, with shivering wing,
Flies down to a southern sea—
Ah me,
That such separation should be!

But it's always so in this world of woe—
The things that gladden our eye
Are the surest to go to the bugs, and so
We can only wearily sigh
"Good-bye"
To the goose-birds as they fly.

A Singular Experiment.

The Fish Culture Journal states that the truth of the assertion recently made by an American authority to the effect that brandy acts as an immediate means of revivifying fish on the point of expiration, has been completely vindicated by Mr. W. Oldham Chambers, secretary of the National Fish Culture association, who conducted an experiment in the presence of several gentlemen at South Kensington on the 1st inst. Taking two Prussian carp from the tanks of the aquarium he deposited them in separate dry cans, adorning one with blue ribbon to distinguish it from the other, which was selected for the administration of spirituous liquors.

After a lapse of four hours the fish were placed in water, evident signs of expiration being apparent in both cases. A small quantity of brandy and water was then given to the carp selected for the imbibition of intoxicating liquors through the medium of a feather; and no sooner was the fish replaced in water than it was quickly restored to vigor and strength. The carp enlisted under the banner of the "Blue Ribbon league" to all appearances died half an hour after its more fortunate associate, and was taken out of the water and thrown on the ground.

About four hours later, however, the fish was picked up by Mr. Chambers, who observed it by appearance to be in rigor mortis. He at once operated on the seemingly inanimate fish by opening its mouth and pouring a dose of brandy and water down its throat and again putting it in the water, when to his astonishment he noticed slight signs of animation. For five minutes the unfortunate object of the experiment floated helplessly on its side, when presently, to the still greater amazement of Mr. Chambers and those who watched the experiment, it gradually asserted itself in the water, and with considerable effort made use of its fins—feebly at first, but afterward energetically. Both the resuscitated fishes, who show no signs of their late prostration, are now in the tanks as usual.

Old Si on Foreign Missions.

[Georgia Cracker.]

"I seed er great ter-do heah de udder day about some Georgy folkes gwine ober yander ter China ter Chrischunize dem heethins. I spock dey kno's what dey's gwine after, but I'se got er moug ty po' 'pinion er de crap dey'll make!"

"Don't you believe in foreign missionary work?"

"I don't kno' whudder I do or no. I reckin' de Lawd meant for de leven what He lef' on yearf ter be spred by de good 'mongst de bad, but I'se got de idea dat He meant fur de Chrischunizin' ter spread frum de wurl sorter like de sirkles in de water—kinder gradchul an' all tergodder—stid ob bein' blow'd heah an' yander, an' dabbin down in dis place an' dat like thistle-see is."

"Your idea is not a bad one."

"No, sah; not ez long ez dar's jess millions er folks right hyar at home what don't know de diffrunce twix' er Testiment an' er patintoffis repote! De only pay-back dat I'se got yit fer my misshunary money is er opidemick ob cheap Chinese he-washwomans! De balance o' my time I'se gwine in fer misshunary wurk dat'll sibbilize de heodlums at home an' make hit safe ter raise chickens an' hogs outside of er ten-foot stone wall; now, yo' heah me!"

Prudent, Even if Tipsy.

[San Francisco Argonaut.]

During the war Brown was a train dispatcher at Memphis, and one evening prior to taking hold of his key he chanced to meet several jolly companions, and by lingering with them managed in some mysterious way to get a rabbit's foot into his pocket, or, in other words, imbibed too much sour mash. The consequence was, that when he found himself at his post of duty he had sense enough to realize that it was impossible for him to direct the movement of trains on the road during the night. The more he endeavored to find a way out of his dilemma the more fuddled he became, until at last he grew indignant, and after side-tracking all the trains on the road, he closed his office and went to bed. The trains remained on the side-tracks all night, waiting for orders to move, while the respective crews shook their fists and howled in their profanity. The next day Brown was discharged.

A Tramp at Church.

The Toronto Globe rigged out one of its reporters like a respectable tramp and lay before last and ordered him to present himself at all the fashionable churches of the city, in order to see how he would be received. At many of them his poor appearance and shabby attire were looked upon with aversion by the elegant ushers, and he was generally shown to the poorest seat in the church. Altogether he met with scant courtesy in the churches which he visited.

From Another Point of View.

[San Francisco Post.]

The act came to a close, and the two gentlemen rose, left their wives and retired to the lobby to obtain the latest quotations concerning lime juice. Mrs. Brown remarked casually to Mrs. Smith: "Does your husband often go out between acts?"

"No; but he always comes in between drinks."

Want to Share the Fun.

[Boston Journal.]

There is dissension in Montreal regarding the coming winter carnival. The French citizens were entirely ignored last year, and they threaten that unless they are allowed to share the honors and profits this year they will build an ice palace at the east end and have street displays after the plan of the mardi gras fetes at New Orleans.

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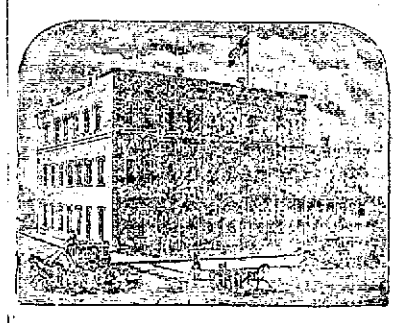

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In g ving holiday gifts, do not for get the poor.

The republican political stocking will hang empty in the fire-place on Christmas morning.

Blaine will probably get a formal no ic of the dism'ssal of his libel suit in his Christmas stocking.

The Harrison and anti-Harrison democrats of Chicago are distributing circulars endeavoring to show why and why not Carter should be senator.

There are many families who have good clothing that has been outgrown or is a little out of style, that many in needy circumstances would like to have Look up some for people and warm up their backs and hearts as well by gifts of this kind.

What steps are Decatur merchants taking to secure better freight rates, as in Bloomington and Peoria. Will th v ry t have G v Oglesby ap p ls two railroad commis- si r n', or n t likely to be, o ed by the rai r ad.

S e of our republican friends ar y about what the dem oc will do with the offic s! Will th so many republi- ca r ined or given place, a th d mocrats in position now? T f r division, would it ?

W p stmasters who con tri per centage of their salaries or the defeat of Cleveland e: ffe l the mails to be used to circulate the foulest slanders concerning , and aided in the circulation of these slanders themselves, c if they are asked to step down and out?

Maj Fergus n, of the U S Fi h Commission, appears to have been living u gh at Uncle Sam's expense He has an island in the Susquehanna which has been fixed up with $50,000 of public money, which is said to be only useful as a private shooting station. No wonder the e is a great worry about the in ing of a new administration!

The senatorial co test in this state promises to be an interesting one. Senator Logan will doubtless secure the republican nomination without much opposition. Among the democrats there will be a sharp contest. Several candidates are mentioned, but the most determined appear to be Hon W. R Morrison and Mayor Harrison They are both in dead earnest in seeking it, and are not ashamed to say so There are a couple of "dark horses" being very carefully groomed.

The Cleveland Plaindealer thinks that if the Nicaragua ship canal should cost one hundred million dollars, and the government of the United States were to guarantee four per cent on the bonds, there would be a new batch of securities for the national banks to d business on. But inasmuch as the national debt was increas d instead of diminished last month, it is a little early to be planning new schemes in the interests of capitalists and bondholders. This g v rnment is far from being out of debt, and if a 'National debt is a National blessing," as we are assured by the republicans, our govern ment is likely to be blessed for a good many years to come, without going out of the way to secure any more financial responsibility.

We would ff r a m st suggestion to the Decatur C ub, which organization takes hol l of all enterprises for the imp ov ment of Deca- t . It is this: A committee should be appointed to shut off the croaking of all the "birds of evil" that are in our midst, or temporarily tarry with us. The political stuff that was circulated during the campaign that if Cleveland was elected we would have a panic and a crash, was listened to with gudgeons, but the fellow who talks that way now is a public enemy Times are close; they have been close before Help good times to come by talking manly sense concerning them and in having nothing but a good word for Decatur and Decatur's business interests.

A Washington hotel clerk being interviewed the other day in regard to probable southern office seekers under the new administration, remarked: "Very few southerners are coming here. The idea that the whole south is marching on to Washington is not confirmed by the hotel registers or the orders for rooms Even after the 4th of March it does not appear likely that any great number of southerners will be here. But republicans from the north and west are coming here as they never came before." There may be more significance about these republican visits to the national capital than appears to the casual reader at first glance. But whether they are prompted by a desire to cover up some crookedness of themselves and their party before turning over the records to honest successors, or are striving to advance the cause of civil service reform so as to keep themselves or their friends and henchmen in office, is a question that will be solved soon after the 4th of March next. One thing is certain; these representatives of the party of great moral ideas are not impelled by a desire to promote the general welfare or aid the incoming administration in the work of cleansing the Augean stables—a task to which the best energies of the best men of the country will soon be bent.

Special Excursion to New Orleans

To accommodate the members of the Teachers' Palace Car Excursion, w o do not care to go via Chicago the Illinois Central railroad will run a special train direct to New Orleans leaving Decatur at 4.45 p. m., December 23. Fare for the round trip $17 60. Return tickets good for 40 days Sleeping car fare $5 00 per double berth. Application for same must be made to the undersigned, at Manchester, Iowa, not later than December 18th, and in every case ac companied by price of same

The excursion arrives at New Orleans at 7 p. m, Christmas morning, giving teachers eight full days at New Orleans, and reaching home January 3 l or 4th in time for school, the 5th

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LOST Yesterday afternoon a hunting watch supposed to have b en lost near th depot A liberal r ward will be paid for its return to the Palace Hotel or the Review office

FOR R NT Two good rooms in Rothfuss' Bloc S uth side old Square suitable fo lodgin rooms for business offices I quire of Dr W H L , on the r n

STRAYED OR STOLEN—From my bar one Grey Mustang Pony Information suitably rewarded GEO P BLUME dec23d1w

ESTRAYED— rom my st ble in Decatur on Satu day night a bay hor e blind in right eye H blanket on wh n go t out st able A suitable reward will be paid for his return, or information leading to very GEORGE STARR, dec23 1w 638 North Franklin St

WANTED —Everybody to call at No 1004 N Water street to the Hartford sewing machine The best machine ever sold in Decatur It will pay you to see machine before buying 18w1* Mrs M L Paxton

THREE FACTS —Every enterprising young man expects to engage in business for himself He can not afford to do so without first obtaining a thorough knowledge of book-keeping and accounts Without this he certainly must be at the mercy of his book-k eper Please call at Central Business College and read letters from prominent business men who have sent their sons d1s-d1m

ENTERPRISE —We beg leave to announce to the public we have commenced the manufacture of the Celebrated Corn Shuck Door Mat that is so well known and used in the east. These mats will out last any other in the market. They are made in any style shape or size in colors or plain Dealers supplied at wholesale rates We will fill your bed ticks with nicely prepared husks that will last a lifetime Throw out your straw and send your ticks to our factory 1010 North Main street All orders promptly filled d14d1w* Davidson Brothers Decatur, Ill.

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TO RENT—A good house of seven rooms and an acre of ground on North Union street well arranged for two families. Price $12.50 per month. I also have some lots near the depot for sale cheap on long time —R L Walston. n28dtf

LAUNDRIES—Hop Hong's laundries No 152 South Main street and Basement room, under Cheap Charley's clothing store on the corner of Merchant and Main, Hart's old stand Shirts 10 cts, collars 3 cts, cuffs, 5 cts a pair, underwear, 2 for 15 cts. Work every day 18m6

FOR SALE —Lots in the G ult addition to Decatur, only seven blocks from the post office on high, dry ground, for sale on easy terms by M G Pattison, opera house block, n1tf

FARM FOR SALE —The northeast quarter of section 27, within half mile of the city limit of Tuscola Dougl s county Inquire of Bundy & Woolverton Tuscola, or G. Howell, Decatur all od1m

WANTED By V H Parke, custom for any kind of stock food Hard and soft coal, fire kindling &c He guarantees good quality and full weights Prices as low as good material can be sold for Deliver to any part of the city Telephone No 55 sept28dtf

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CIRCUIT COURT.

Proceedings of the Seventeenth Day, Judge Smith Presiding.

CHANCERY.

Walter Pope vs John Shiel is, et al--foreclosure. John Shields defaulted. Appearance entered by I. D. Walker for N V L nergan and J. A. Dawson, and case referred to Master in Chancery.

COMMON LAW.

Wm. B. Craycroft vs Decatur National Bank, appellant--appeal Trial by jury.

Rufus A Eschbaugh vs John M Moffett and H n r Moffe t, appellant--appeal. Trial by jury. Jury out.

A ma I I vs Joseph W. W gan I and Henry Ou chi r's assumpsit. Continued

City of Decatur vs Henry Akins, appellant--appeal. Appeal dismissed, and procedendo awarded.

Charles Schubach vs A O Brewer appellant--appeal. Trial by jury. Verdict for plaintiff, and damages assessed at $14. Motion by defendant for new trial.

Y. M. C. A Notes.

Do you want to read the late papers? Come to the Y. M. C A rooms.

Do you want to play a game of chess? Come to the Y. M C A. rooms.

If you want to play a game of checkers come to the Y. M C A rooms.

Mr C. M. Morton's address on "The Qualified Christian Association Man," described the true church worker. Every church member should read it.

Our members are all invited to show their f iends through our gymnasium any time Christmas. The room will be open and comfortable throughout the day.

Our board met on Monday evening and approved the application of twenty-nine new members. Membership tickets can be had of the general secretary.

Our parlors, rooms and gymnasium will be warm, cheerful and throughout the day. Christmas, all young men, commercial men and strangers in the city will find a welcome and a pleasant place to spend a part of th day.

J V. Farwell's talk will interest the business men, while that of J. H. E iott and many others will prove worthy a careful perusal by all. The whole proceedings form an excellent manual, and the secretary of the association here will take pleasure in furnishing copies to those desiring them.

The proceedings of the twelfth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Illinois is now ready for delivery. It is a neat pamphlet of eighty-four pages, and full of the good things presented at the convention, every paper and address being given in full. Among the matter of special interest is Rev. Frank M. Bristol's opening address on "Salvation of Young Men." It should be read by all who wish to know the object and work of the Young Men's Christian Association All young men, parents and employers, will find it very interesting Christians will find the address by W E Lewis, on "How to Deal with Enquirers," full of good points, and especially interesting just now, in view of the approaching "week of prayer."

Excursion to Tenness ee, Mississippi Arkansas and Texas

The Illinois Central railroad will run an excursion to the above named points leaving Decatur, at 5 45 p m Jan 13, 1885 Return tickets good f r 30 days. Stop overs granted at points south of, and including, Cairo, Illinois. To accommodate passengers to New Orleans, Jennings and Florida points, we will run through coaches and sleeping cars from Sioux City Applications for sleeping car berths Excursion bills and emigrant book entitled "To Northern Seekers for Southern Homes," should be made to the undersigned at Manchester, Iowa.

J F. MERRY,
2133t Gen'l W s Pass Agt,

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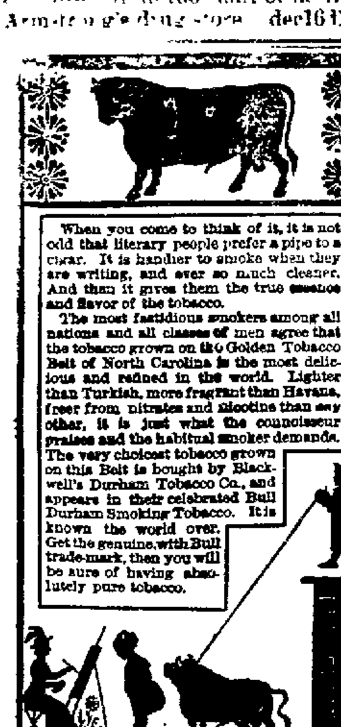
The Decatur Coal Co will hereafter sell coal direct to the people at $2 25 per ton delivered. Orders can be telephoned to the shaft, or they may be left at W C. Armstrong's drug store if more convenient. Coal dealers selling coal shipped to Decatur cannot furnish Decatur coal The Coal Co has found it necessary to do this in order to protect the p- -ple ag inst inferior coals shipped here and sold as Decatur coal O d rs from the shaft or at W. C Armstrong's drug store dec16 11w



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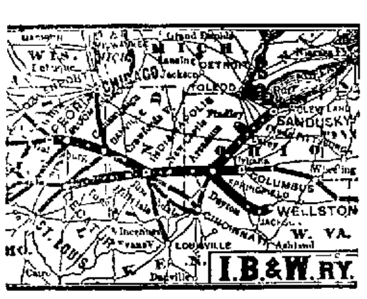

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GOING EAST.

No. 32, Mail and Day Express	12:05 p m
" 34, Night Express	10:45 p m
" 36, Way Freight	6:45 a m

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R'Y.

GOING NORTH.

No. 2 Passenger	7 58 a m
No. 4 Accommodation	12:13 a m
No. 10 Freight	4:05 p m
No. 14 Freight	5 25 p m

GOING SOUTH.

No. 1 Passenger	5:25 p m
No. 3 Accommodation	10 13 a m
No. 9 Freight	7 40 a m
No. 11 Freight	12:05 a m

ILLINOIS MIDLAND R'Y.

GOING EAST.

Mail and Express arrives at	11:25 a m
" " " leaves at	11.35 a m
Local Freight arrives	4.30 p m
" " leaves	5:00 a

GOING WEST.

Mail and Express arrives at	11 25 a
" " " leaves at	11:35 a
Local Freight arrives	6:30 p
" " leaves	5:00 a

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D. H. CONKLIN, Gen'l Man

W. ST. L. & P. R'Y.

GOING EAST.

No. 44, Atlantic Express	11:55 a m
" 42, Lightning Express	10:45 p m

The following freight trains will carry passengers with tickets:

Going East	9:10 a m
Going East	4 85 a m
Accom Express	2:55 p m

GOING WEST.

No. 48, Fast Line	3:05 a m
" 47, Jacksonville Accommodation	6:40 a m
" 45, Fast Mail	8:30 p m

The following freight trains will carry passengers with tickets:

Going West	12:30 p m
Going West	10:40 p m

Chicago Division.

GOING EAST.

No. 4, Chicago Express	12:05 p m
" 2, Chicago Mail	12:05 a m

ARRIVE FROM CHICAGO.

No. 3, St. Louis Express	3 30 a m
" 5, St. Louis Mail	8:22 p m

St. Louis Division.

GOING WEST.

No. 51, Way Freight	5.05 a m
No 3, St. Louis Express	3.40 a m
" 43 Fast Line	4:55 a m
" 5, Fast Mail	3.45 p m
" 45, Pacific Express	2:00 p m

ARRIVE FROM ST. LOUIS.

No. 48, Chicago Express	12:15 a m
" 44, Atlantic Express	11:45 a m
" 42, Lightning Express	10:3- p m

The following freight trains will carry passengers with tickets on the St. Louis Division:

Going West	6:00 a m
Arrive from West	7:00 p m

Champaign Division.

Arrive from East	10 30 a m
Leave for Champaign	4:00 p m

Way Freight leaves at 6.10 a m and returns at 6.45 p m

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE R'Y.

GOING EAST.

Passenger	10.50 a m
Passenger	10:15 p m
Freight	2:15 p m

GOING WEST.

Passenger	7:00 a m
Passenger	3 15 p m
Freight	10.42 a m

The above cut represents the grand yearling Short-Horn steer SCRATCH slaughtered by us last year. This year for our Holiday trade, we have four choice cattle, the principal one of which is an imported four-year-old

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13 Parlor Suits, $45 and up.
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40 Upholstered Easy Chairs and Rockers, $7.50 and up.
50 Rattan chairs and rockers, $4.50 and up.
35 Large cane seat and back rockers, $2.40.
24 Sewing and nurse chairs, $1.65.
Book cases and secretary, $19.
Large wardrobes, $11.50.
Mirrors, 20 per cent. off.
Oil paintings, 50 per cent. off.

Ladies' Writing Desks, Music Stands, Bible Stands, Marble Top Centre Tables, Hall Stands and Hat Racks.

Elegant Pillar Dining Tables, $21.

$70 Cabinet Organ for $35, and other goods equally low.

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Come at once, select the goods, have them ticketed for you, and delivered any time before the first of January You have a large assortment to select from

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DEATH AND RUIN DEALT.

A Cyclone in Georgia Causes Many Deaths and Does a Great Deal of Damage.

Two Lives Known to Have Been Lost in the Astral Oil Works Fire—The Asylum Horror Grows.

Several Passengers Seriously Injured by a Wreck on the Baltimore & Ohio Road.

FATAL CYCLONE.

MACON, Ga., Dec. 23.—A terrible cyclone passed over this section of the State yesterday afternoon, demolishing everything in its path. About four o'clock a large, funnel-shaped cloud was seen nearing the city. As it came nearer and grew darker the people became paralyzed with fear. The scene was one never to be forgotten. Men rushed home from their business, and women and children shrieked for help. The city became dark, and it seemed for a few moments that night had began suddenly. A report like distant thunder rent the air as the cloud passed around toward the southeast and disappeared. Meager reports received indicate a terrible storm at the farm of Mr. David Birdsang, five miles from Macon. Five houses were totally demolished, and his dwelling was damaged to a great extent. Lives are reported lost in Jones County and other points in the track of the cyclone. The cloud was accompanied by hard rain and lightning.

THE ASYLUM HORROR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mother Superior Dechantel, of the burned Orphan Asylum, concluded to talk a little yesterday, and she admitted that the Board of Directors were wrong when they said there were only 724 children in the asylum on the afternoon of the fire. "The closest figuring gives the number of children in the place at 780," said Mother Superior, the tears streaming down her pale, haggard face. "The number was put at 724 erroneously. It came about in this way: We are in the habit of notifying the Board of Education at regular intervals of the total number of children in our institution. Our latest report to that body gave the number as 724. That represented the number of children over school age, or five years, within the bounds of the asylum. There were, however, fifty-six other little inmates. They were under five, and consequently we did not include them in our list. They bring up the total to 780. We have information of 680 children found alive. I do not think the bones of children gathered from the ruins thus far make up more than twenty-one bodies. So you see that leaves seventy-nine children missing. I feel that some of them are alive, and that they will come back to me. Perhaps a large number of them have found friends and think it best to stay where they are until the new asylum is ready to receive them. In the infirmary, at the time of the fire, there were twenty-six children suffering from sore eyes. Others no doubt ran in there—how many I can not tell. Seven escaped from the buildings, twenty-one are known to be dead. I can tell nothing more for I know nothing."

It is impossible to say how many of the seventy-nine missing children are still alive, but the police acquainted with the building think that the full horror of the fire has not yet been made known, and that when the boiler-room is rid of rubbish many bodies will be found. The fire was started by one of the little inmates of the asylum, too young to know what he was doing and too frightened to give the alarm until the calamity caused by his mischief was beyond human control.

The funeral of the victims will take place Wednesday. Search for bodies will continue until the wreck is cleared away.

THE WILLIAMSBURGH FIRE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The great oil fire had almost subsided at seven o'clock yesterday morning, when another immense tank of naptha exploded, and the flames and smoke reignited the northern part of Williamsburg. The firemen renewed their work, and at noon the fire was under control and some of the engines were sent home. Two lives at least are known to have been lost in the fire. At midnight Sunday night two employes of the works were on the dock pulling fire-hose from the water when Fire-Chief Smith yelled to them to fly for their lives, as he saw a vast stream of burning oil rushing toward them. Just then another tank exploded and the dock was enveloped in dense smoke. When it cleared away the fire chief looked for the men, but they were gone. Cut off from all escape, with fiercely burning oil surrounding them, they probably jumped into the East River. The bodies of two men were found floating near the dock and are supposed to be the remains of the ill-fated workmen. Just what the loss will foot up remains to be determined. The Secretary of the company said that $1,200,000 would cover it, but later in the day the estimates suddenly dropped at the company's office, and the figures given ranged from $175,000 to $500,000.

ALL ON BOARD PERISHED.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 23.—Sunday night's tempest off the coast of Maine has wrecked many vessels and much loss of life is feared. The Signal Service station at Biddeford reports the complete wreck of an unknown English schooner laden with lumber, which now lies bottom upward on the rocks at Block Island. She was seen last night flying signals of distress, but those on shore were helpless to save her imperilled crew. She is utterly demolished by the terrific seas, and all hands have perished. No bodies have as yet been washed ashore, and nothing to identify the wreck has been recovered.

CAUSED BY A BROKEN RAIL.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—A bad accident, which the railroad authorities appear to have endeavored to keep very quiet, occurred on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad yesterday morning. The train known as the Chicago express, from Washington, due in this city at 9:30 a. m., while running at the rate of forty miles an hour struck a broken rail or defective frog near Bremen, Ind., about six o'clock in the morning. The engine and forward part of the train got over safely, but the dining-car and two sleepers were derailed and overturned. There were sixteen persons in the sleepers, among them several Congressmen. At that time all were asleep in their berths. Suddenly the greatest confusion prevailed. The passengers rushed to the doors, but were unable to escape. To add to the horror of the situation the dining-car took fire, and the imprisoned people in the sleeping coaches seeing the flames imagined that they would be all consumed. The train hands soon came to their assistance, and with the aid of axes broke open the doors and let them out. In the burning dining-car the heat was intense, and before a rescue could be effected several of the cooks and waiters were badly burned. Fortunately, with the exception of the head waiter, Edward McCabe, no one was dangerously hurt. He, in his anxiety to get out, fell into some vessel of almost boiling water, and was badly scalded on the arms, face and neck, and it is feared will die. He was taken to Bremen for medical treatment. Joseph Pratz, another cook, and Edward Gray and R. McNaughton, waiters, were also badly burned but not fatally. The train arrived in the city about six hours late. As far as can be learned the following is a list of the wounded:

Hon. B. F. Shively, South Bend, Ind., painful but not serious bruises; Hon. Hiram Y. Smith, Des Moines, Ia., laceration of the feet and legs; Hon. O. G. Gifford, Canton, D. T., hurt on the shoulders; Edward McCabe, cook, badly burned on head and neck, and will probably die; Joseph Pratz, cook, seriously burned; Edward Gray, waiter, seriously burned; R. McNaughton, waiter, seriously burned.

DAKOTA'S WAR CLOUD.

The Wilmot Mob Will Meet with Determined Resistance if It Attacks Traverse—All Quiet So Far.

TRAVERSE, D. T., Dec. 23.—The situation remains unchanged since Sunday evening. A blizzard has been blowing since Sunday, and it is extremely cold; the thermometer stood 20 degrees below zero at noon yesterday. Traverse has scoured the county for arms, and sufficient have been secured. Men from all parts of the county are constantly arriving, despite the cold weather. The officials feel relieved. The headquarters are at the court-house, where the Register of Deeds has removed the records. It is thought that a sufficient force is on hand to safely keep them. A spy sent out has just returned from Willmott, and reports that men are trying to open the safe, but have not yet succeeded. The mob is to be kept under arms until the safe is opened and its contents known. If the records are not found the mob will immediately move upon Traverse. No one is permitted to leave the town without examination. The Sheriff having a sufficient force to secure the safety of Traverse will to-day, with a posse, attempt to make some arrests; if resisted, he will take the whole force and serve warrants regardless of consequences. His forces are sufficient to enable him to take the offensive. Although in much smaller number than the mob, his men are much more reliable, being mostly Americans and leading citizens of the county. If the two forces meet a regular battle will be fought. The conflict must take place in a day or two. If the Sheriff's posse should be resisted to-day, and any one injured, it would make war to the knife. Every man in Traverse is a Deputy-Sheriff. The motto is: "Peace if possible; force if necessary." A telegram has been received from the United States Marshal to the effect that a Deputy-Marshal is on the way with warrants for the arrest of all those engaged in overhauling the mail. The Governor will furnish all assistance to have the mob punished to the full extent of the law.

A Wealthy Lady Marries Her Coachman.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The report that Mrs. Emma Britton, the wealthy widow of the late Abram Britton, a daughter of the aristocratic Vredenburgh family, and a relative by marriage of the Vanderbilts, had been married to Thomas McLaughlin, her twenty-one-year-old coachman, has created a sensation in Staten Island. The story proved true. McLaughlin is a handsome young Irishman and entered the employment of Mrs. Britton seven months ago. He became ill shortly after, and the widow nursed him tenderly and the other day married him. McLaughlin is still confined to his bed, and his beautiful wife of forty is at his side. "We are married legally, and my folks know of it," she said. "If I choose to marry a poor young man that is my affair and need trouble no one else." She is worth $500,000 and has a palatial home at Castleton.

Moohopasha Buried by His Tribe.

APPLETON, Wis., Dec. 23.—Moohopasha, Chief of the Menominee Indians, who are in charge of an agency at Green Bay, died at Keshena, Shawano County, last Friday, of lung fever. The funeral services were held here Sunday, hundreds of Indians coming from all parts of the reservation to attend the services. Although the ritual of the Roman Catholic Church was observed in the services many rites of the Indian burial services were enacted. The usual relics were deposited with the body, and friends circling about the grave went through numerous antics. The chief was popular throughout the reservation, and his death is deeply regretted. It is said that since the Indians left their huts and began living in houses the mortality among them has greatly increased.

The Storey Estate.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—In the Probate Court yesterday Austin L. Patterson was discharged from all responsibility as conservator of the estate of Wilbur F. Storey, his accounts being approved without question. Counsel for Mrs. Storey then offered for probate an alleged will of August, 1879, and announced that the witnesses thereto were present. After prolonged argument on both sides Judge Knickerbocker refused to take any action until decision has been rendered by the Circuit Court on the appeal taken by Mrs. Ferrand as to the refusal to probate the alleged will of 1881.

The Fire Record.

UTICA, N. Y., Dec. 23.—A gas leak in No. 2 Upper Empire Woolen Mill, at Clayville, near Utica, on Sunday caused its total destruction by fire. Loss, $100,000; insured.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 23.—At an early hour this morning the Eagle Dye Works were completely destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of $50,000; covered by $20,000 insurance.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 23.—Graham & Schmidt's furniture manufactory at East Baltimore was damaged by fire Monday evening to the extent of $50,000.

Michigan Farmers Have Plenty.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 23.—Some days ago a dispatch from Detroit stated that there was great destitution among the farmers in Northern Michigan and gave a notion that starvation was imminent there. President Hughart of the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad, has made inquiries of citizens in the northern country along the line of the Grand Rapids & Indiana and says that the farmers in that vicinity were never better situated for the winter. Crops were good this last season and they have plenty.

Ex-Secretary Evarts Wants to Be Senator.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23.—The *Evening Journal* prints a letter from Hon. William M. Evarts to Senator James Arkell, in which the former announces himself as a candidate for the seat of United States Senator Lapham.

A DULL DAY.

The Senate Meets but Transacts No Business of Importance Whatever.

Nearly All the Senators and Representatives Go Home for the Holidays.

Important Decision on the Imported Rag Question—Indiana's Choice for the Cabinet.

LITTLE WORK IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A bill was introduced in the Senate yesterday morning by Senator Plumb to establish an additional land district in Dakota. Senator Blair called up the bill providing for a commission to investigate the liquor traffic, which he said had passed the Senate four times without being even so much as read in the House. Senator Vest said before voting on the question of taking up that bill he did not want to appear as the enemy of temperance, but that he considered the matters in the bill purely those of the States, and he had observed no dereliction in the efforts of any State to maintain the law's provisions. He was opposed to the bill. In executive session B. Platt Carpenter, of New York, was confirmed as Governor of Montana; Ferdinand N. Shurtleff, Collector of Customs, Oregon. The Senate adjourned with barely a quorum present. It is probable no session will be held to-day.

MORE GUNS WANTED.

WASHINGTON, Dec 23.—A supplementary report to the Gun-Foundry Board was transmitted to the Senate yesterday. The board expresses the opinion that two gun foundries should be established, one for the army and one for the navy, at a cost of $1,000,000 each, but it recommends that steel manufacturers be called upon to furnish the material. For the purchase of steel it recommends an appropriation of $15,000,000, one-half for the army and the other for the navy, each to be expended only in payment for steel accepted and delivered. In conclusion the board says:

"The annual expenses for operating factories must be determined by the number of tools in use and the quantity of material fabricated. With this exception the total estimate of $17,000,000 will complete a steel-producing plant, establish and equip steel-gun factories, supply guns for six and a half years, and inaugurate the manufacture of steel in large masses in the United States."

OFF FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—It is estimated that not over forty of the 325 members of the House are in the city. The remainder have departed for their respective homes, and will not return until after the holidays. Upon their return most of the members who are married will be accompanied by their wives and daughters. Mr. Randall started on his Southern trip yesterday. Senators Wise, Cameron, Butler, Jackson and others have gone down the Potomac on a duck hunt. Mr. Hoar has also levanted, and it looks now as if the Senate would not be able to muster a quorum to-morrow.

TO BE PROMOTED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Mr. William B. Thompson, Superintendent of the Mail Service, will be nominated to-day for the position of Second Assistant Postmaster-General, vice Lyman, resigned. Mr. Thompson will be succeeded in turn by Mr. John Jameson, who now holds the position of Assistant Superintendent of Railway Mail Service.

RAGS AFLOAT MAY BE ADMITTED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Secretary of the Treasury has issued a circular in regard to the importation of rags which provides for the admission of all rags which may be afloat on January 1, under the terms of a former circular providing for the issue of certificates by consular officers, and which also provides that all rags shipped after January 1 shall be subject to disinfection upon their arrival in this country, or any other country where the department appoints inspectors.

WANTED CURRENCY FOR A CONFEDERATE NOTE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Secretary of the Treasury has received a letter from a resident of Riga, Russia, inclosing a one-hundred-dollar note of the Confederate States, which he says he inherited from his uncle, and wants it exchanged for currency. The note has been returned to the sender with the information that it is worthless.

CONTESTED SEATS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The only notice of contest for a seat in the House yet received by the clerk comes from Meredith H. Kidd, of the Eleventh Indiana District, against George W. Steele. William Pitt Kellogg has informed Mr. Gay that he will contest his right to a seat from Louisiana.

INDIANA'S CHOICE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A formal meeting of Democratic members of Congress and citizens of Indiana was held at the Capitol Saturday night. The sentiment was generally expressed that Indiana was entitled to recognition in the Cabinet of the President elect, and the opinion was unanimous in that event the honor should be conferred on ex-Senator McDonald. Senator Voorhees and all the Democratic members of the House were present and concurred in the views expressed.

Cordial Relations Between Employers and Workmen.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 23.—It is the general opinion that the Atlantic Iron Works of Kimberly & Co., at Sharon, which closed Saturday because of failure to raise money to pay the employes, will resume in a few weeks. The workmen, to show their good feeling toward the firm, have offered to give their services for three months without wages, except for groceries. Mr. Kimberly declined the generous offer, deeming such a move unnecessary. He is reported as saying that the firm has lots of paper which could be easily discounted, but the stock for which it was received was sold so close that the discount would entail considerable loss.

Wages Reduced.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 23.—The Pittsburgh Iron Works Company, at Verner's Station, have ordered a 12½ per cent. reduction of the wages of all employes, except those governed by the Amalgamated Association scale. The workmen met last evening and decided to continue work at the reduction. Five hundred men are affected.

Held for Illegal Voting.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 22.—United States Commissioner Strong yesterday held Richard C. Gunning, of the marine insurance firm of Crosby & Gunning, of Chicago and Buffalo, in $1,000 bail to await trial in January on a charge of having voted here illegally on November 4.

AVERSE TO THE TREATY.

The New York Chamber of Commerce Thinks the Convention with Spain Dangerous.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Chamber of Commerce held a well-attended meeting yesterday to consider the Spanish-American treaty. Three reports were presented which consumed one hour and a half in reading. A majority of the special committee on the subject, consisting of Osgood Welsh, Gustav Schwab and W. H. T. Hughes, reported in favor of the treaty; proposing the passing of a resolution declaring that the policy of fostering the commerce of the United States with their American neighbors—lately enunciated by the President as the commercial policy of his Administration—commended itself to the chamber; the Spanish-American treaty as an integral part of that policy was approved.

In a still larger minority report Edward H. Ammidown contends against the treaty. He proposed the following resolutions:

That the Spanish-American treaty now before the Senate of the United States is hostile to the interests of the people of the United States and ought not to be confirmed. That the special commercial treaties impairing the efficiency and uniformity of our Revenue laws threatening complications with other Nations and derangement of our own established industries are dangerous and ought not to be made. That the home market is our best market, and that foreign markets are of doubtful advantage if obtained at the sacrifice of any part of our own or with a detriment to any of our commercial or industrial pursuits.

In still another minority report Daniel Drake Smith, while differing from Ammidown, speaks against the treaty. A lively discussion followed the reading of these reports. Mr. Lawrence Turnure moved that their consideration be postponed to another special meeting. This Mr. F. B. Thurber opposed. He moved the discussion be confined to five-minute speeches. His motion was carried by a vote of 27 to 23. This was in the nature of a test vote, those against the treaty voting for immediate consideration. In the discussion which followed Gustav Schwab spoke for the treaty and Charles S. Smith, Jackson S. Schultz, F. B. Thurber, William D. Marvel, A. R. Welch, A. H. Scoville and others spoke against it. The first of Mr. Ammidown's resolutions was finally adopted declaring against the treaty.

THEY WANT EQUAL RATES.

Springfield Business Men Interest the Railroad Commissioners in Their Charges.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 23.—The Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners have announced their intention to consider the charges made by the Springfield business men against the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific, the Chicago & Alton, and the Illinois Central Railroad companies, of discrimination against Springfield in freight rates at their meeting with the railroad managers and shippers of the State in this city on the 20th inst. Several prominent gentlemen, representing the interests of Springfield shippers, have had consultations with James Smith, General Freight Agent of the Wabash system; J. C. McMullen and C. H. Chappell, of the Chicago & Alton; and E. T. Jeffery, of the Illinois Central, on the subject, and each of these gentlemen assured them that it was the desire of their roads to arrive at a satisfactory settlement of the freight troubles. The commissioners have signified their willingness to do all in their power to bring about a satisfactory disposition of the trouble. A correspondence is being conducted with the Indiana, Bloomington & Western and Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railroad managers, who make the low rates to Bloomington and Peoria, with a view of equalizing the rates with these cities by raising the Peoria rates and lowering the Springfield rates. This move will no doubt raise a determined opposition from Peoria shippers.

A Great Railway Scheme.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—Articles of incorporation of the Chicago, Union Central & Atlantic Railroad Company were filed with the Secretary of State Saturday. The document gives the details of a gigantic project which has for its object the ultimate connection of Chicago and Charleston, S. C., with a continuous line of railroad. The company contemplates the building of a line from the west boundary of Lake County on the Illinois border to a point on the Ohio River in Switzerland County by a decidedly zigzag course. The company has a capital of $4,000,000, and the directors for the first year are W. B. Hammond, Samuel F. Hazzard, Benjamin F. Rush, A. Dale Owen, P. W. Bartholomew, W. W. Murphy and John W. Dodd. The articles do not indicate that all of the stock has been taken.

Diaz Wants Intimate Trade Relations.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23.—Ex-Governor T. C. Reynolds, Hon. S. O. Thacher, and Secretary W. E. Curtis of the South American Trade Commission, arrived here Saturday from the City of Mexico where the commission spent two weeks. Its sessions were attended by President Diaz, who assured the members that he wished to do everything possible to build up the commercial relations of the two countries. The commission has been at work since September last, and has visited New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia and San Francisco. The members will remain here for about two weeks and then sail for Central America.

Carpet Weavers Strike.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Notices were posted in Sanford & Sons' carpet-mills Saturday that a general reduction of ten per cent. in wages would be made yesterday and of one per cent. in the weaving departments on piece work. The employes held a meeting and refused to accept the reduction. The mills are all closed and the hands out on a strike. Sanford & Sons employ two thousand operatives, and as the pay-roll is $50,000 a month, the merchants are much depressed. Several of the knitting-mills here are closed already, and with Sanford & Sons' employes added, the town contains three thousand idle operatives.

Cowardly Assassination.

GALLMAN, Miss., Dec. 23.—Saturday evening William Sumrall, a respected and wealthy citizen living near here, was called to his door by three negroes, in a friendly tone of voice, and asked to read a letter for them. He began to read, when all three opened fire on him with revolvers, Sumrall falling dead. The murderers then robbed the house of $1,500 and escaped. A posse of one hundred men started in pursuit, but it is not known yet whether the fiends have been captured.

One of the Jackson Jurors Very Ill.

JACKSON, Mich., Dec. 23.—The Holcomb trial was adjourned till to-day owing to the sickness of Juror George Page, who had a violent fever. It was thought he had diphtheria. The other eleven jurors had been moved to different quarters. People are becoming superstitious over the case and say the trial will never be concluded.

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THE TURK'S PIPE AND CAP.

Smoking His Hookah—Coffee and Sherbet—The Koran.

[Detroit Times.]

"Turkish men and women are very picturesque people," said Mr. Arthur Abnier, now staying at the Great Western hotel, Windsor, to a reporter. Mr. Abnier is an English-speaking Bulgarian, and has been engaged in mercantile affairs in both countries.

"Are not the Turks an indolent people?" asked the reporter.

"Not when at war, I can assure you. At other times they are. Nothing in the world delights a Turk so much as to sit cross-legged on a mattress about four inches thick, drink black coffee, and smoke his nargile, or hookah, as it is called in this country. Ladies smoke also. I have often seen a man with his four or five wives smoking at the same time from one nargile. The favorite wife will sit at her husband's right hand, the next to his favor at his left, and so on till there is a circle formed. The nargile is then lighted, and there is nothing but a bubbling sound heard as the cooled smoke is drawn through the water in the pipe. This smoking and drinking of black coffee are the greatest enjoyments of the Turk. When he tires of coffee he will drink sherbet. This is not the white, effervescing powder sold as such in this country and England.

"How is it made? Well, I'll tell you. It is made of white sugar and glucose, and is flavored according to the fancy of the maker. This is boiled with a liberal supply of water, which is afterward allowed to evaporate, leaving a tough sweetmeat, somewhat similar to your taffy. The way this is used is peculiar. Instead of putting a portion of this preparation in a glass and dissolving it, a piece is cut from the lump and placed on the tongue. The person then takes a drink of ice water. This gradually melts the sherbet and [illegible] water [illegible] in this country [illegible] know [illegible] Turkish [illegible] It [illegible] This is put into the coffee [illegible] are [illegible] the [illegible] milk [illegible] watery [illegible] It [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] most [illegible] observed [illegible] rich and poor [illegible] Every Turk carries with him [illegible] carpet. Every morning at [illegible] you may see the Mohammedans [illegible] these carpets saying their prayers. The Koran does not allow the use of [illegible] of any kind. This is observed by [illegible]—hence such an amount [illegible] but the [illegible] people do not observe these regulations strictly. The [illegible] of these people is at a very low ebb in commercial as well as domestic relations. In Constantinople it is at a very low ebb indeed."

The Hungry in Hotels.

[Boston Budget.]

"Do people in hotels eat as heartily as at home?"

"Well, sir, that's a pretty hard question to answer. Some do and some don't. People who spend about all their time on the road, like commercial men and actors, do, but ordinary business men do not. I spent some time waiting in private houses in different parts of the country and saw what some of the men ate at home. Well, when I went into the business of waiting at hotels I met some of these gentlemen, and it was real curious to watch 'em. Some of them would look at the bill of fare with a real hungry look, but when it came to ordering, they'd look almost guilty as they told the waiter to bring on what would have been about half a dinner for them at home. They would lose all courage, eat about half of their order and go away. I know they must have been hungry half an hour afterward. Other men won't care for what people think but pitch in and eat a good dinner, taking their own time about it. But, as I told you before, these men have been used to knocking about."

"How about the ladies?"

"Well, sir, I've seen ladies at home, at parties and at hotels, and I must say that American ladies have small appetites. They get along on less than any class I have ever seen. The Jewish ladies are the heartiest eaters, and can hold their own pretty well. But for real out-and-out hearty eaters you must see a healthy young English woman tackle a bill of fare. They can eat about as much food as most American men, and never seem disturbed in the least regarding the gazes of other people."

Long-Forgotten Companions.

[Middleton, N. Y., Letter.]

In April, 1865, A. W. Tucker, then of this village, came home from the war, through which he had served in the One Hundred and Twenty-fourth regiment of this state. He left his knapsack, haversack and canteen at the house of a friend and went to the oil regions. His friend hung the soldier's kit on a peg in his garret. Tucker did not return and the articles were forgotten.

One day last week Tucker alighted from a train in Middletown, and went directly to the house of his old friend and inquired for his accoutrements. They were found hanging in the garret. A package of ground coffee and one of brown sugar were in the haversack as they had been dealt out for rations on the field. The canteen contained a small quantity of whisky. It was thick and muddy, but had the aroma of the "old stuff." A soldier's portfolio and writing paper and envelopes, with the patriotic emblems in vogue during the years of the war, pens and ink bottle were in the knapsack. When Tucker gazed upon those long-forgotten companions of his years of hardship and dangers on the battlefield he burst into tears, and kissed them over and over again. He had them tenderly packed, just as he received them, which was just as they had come from the field, and took them to his home in the oil regions.

The Ways of Winnipeg.

[Chicago Herald.]

The streets of Winnipeg present a great variety. Opera glass exquisites are jostled by half-breeds shod with moccasins; daintily dressed ladies of fashion are side by side with the Indian mother whose infant rests in a braided pocket or cradle with a wooden back, which is fastened about the mother's neck by a sort of wooden yoke. The mounted police, whose duties lie outside the city limits, looking after the illicit introduction of liquor into the province and watching over the Indians, make a bit of bright color. Their scarlet coats and white helmet hats can be seen and distinguished a long distance away.

Wilhelmj's School for the Violin.

[Norristown Herald.]

It is announced that Herr Wilhelmj "will next year open a school for the violin at his residence, Biebrich, on the Rhine." It is a capital notion. There are a great many violins right here in this town that should be sent several years to Wilhelmj's school. They need an education badly. A course of five years would probably improve their tone. Anyhow, it would improve the tone of those who are now obliged to listen to them.

HARD TIMES.

Economy Coal.

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New Shoe Store.

January 1st J. W Baker will open a new stock of boots and shoes in the building one door north of Henry [illegible]'s grocery, on Merchant street. All goods now in stock will be closed out at extra low prices for the next [illegible] days. Go and see his bargains in ladies' kid shoes. d21d&wtf

Go to Wingate's lamp store and buy one of those steam washing machines, if you want to see the dirt all out of your clothes without a[illegible] of rubbing. a91

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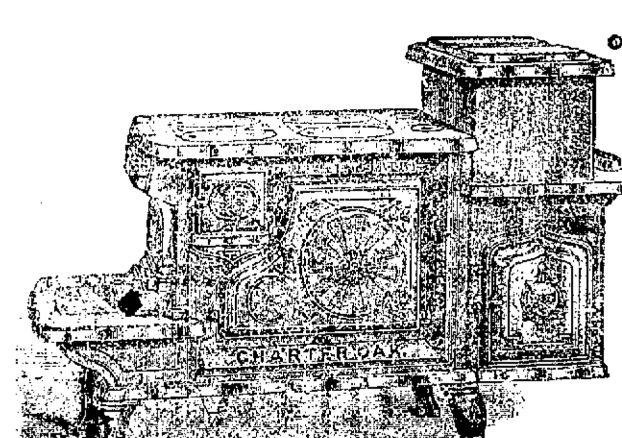

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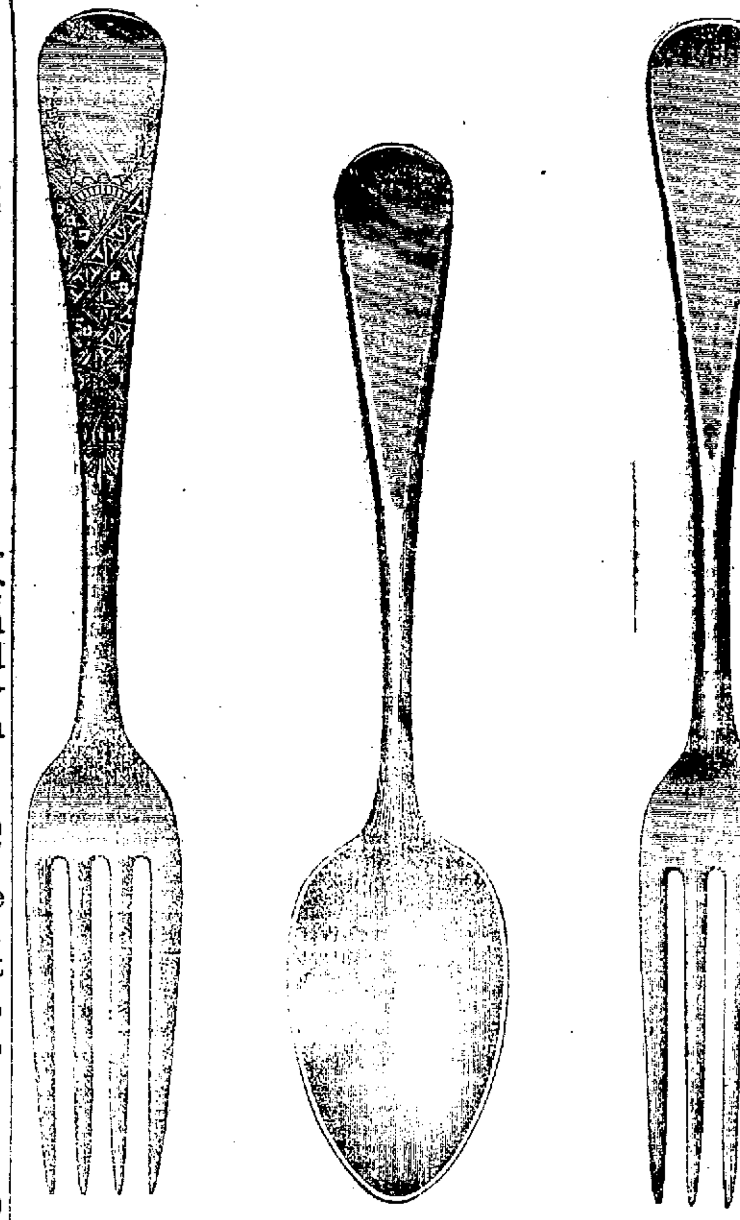

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ADORNMENT OF THE HOME.

Importance of Pleasing Surroundings in the Education of the Family Circle.

The wake of spring and the return of autumn, clad in the brilliant dress of purple and golden foliage, imparting to nature that characteristic charm of endless variety of hues and colors—a frolic, as it were, before the dreary death of winter—reminds the editor periodically of his duty of offering to his patrons a few practical suggestions in regard to the embellishment of the grounds surrounding the home, and therefore in constant sight of the inmates—old and young.

The subject has, like many other kindred topics, two sides from which it may be viewed, it has a bearing on the mind, its nourishment and expansion, and it is a question of what to do, what to plant, and how to arrange the immediate surroundings of the homestead. Let us first remember that cleanliness is an important attribute of godliness. Our foremost efforts should in consequence be directed to a thorough cleaning of the yard, the garden and the orchard. Give to them an honest combing, and they will be much brighter and inviting in return for the labor bestowed upon the operation. Remove the weeds, the piles of rubbish that may have accumulated during the busy time of summer, and all that mars the clean and bright looks of the premises. This change will be a pleasant episode in the routine of daily life of the family circle, it will be pleasing to all alike, it is the most important step in improvement.

Next, let us inquire into the sylvan decoration of the place, which gives the real, the solid, comfort to the home grounds. How wide a field of speculation and reflection is opened to us in this direction, how many trees may be missing, how bare and dreary may be the surroundings of the house, or how wild and uninviting to the eye may be the natural forest growth happening to be on the ground. Give this question, for once, a serious consideration, and adopt the most rational course to remedy the defects, remembering the fundamental principle expressed in Nature's scenery everywhere, a proper balance of light and shade, of wood and lawn. Select the spots where shade will be most desirable, and plant on them the needed trees. No better, more convenient time to do this work will come the year around, than the present, the pleasant days of fall and early winter. Deferring it till busy spring is in most cases equivalent to neglecting it altogether.

It will be readily understood that good judgment should be used in the question of what to plant in front of the house and around the most frequented places of the premises. It is evident that shade and ornamental trees and shrubs are more desirable and befitting materials of ornamentation than fruit trees and bushes. The latter are far better located when planted by themselves, in orchard form, encouraged by suitable cultivation, than when scattered promiscuously all over the grounds, mixed between the shade trees and ornamental shrubbery. The plainest rules of rational fitness of things demand this separation, though it is strangely ignored in very many cases.

The front yard should be the lawn, from which arise the stately trees, of shade and ornament, and clumps of flowering shrubs, bordered by bright flowers. The ground in the rear of the house is devoted to the orchard and the garden. How great is the difference in places improved on this plan of rational separation, and such as planted in a planless haphazard manner of intermixture of everything that may be set out. Judicious association of trees and shrubs is equally necessary also in the arrangement of the lawn devoted to ornamental purposes. A planless mixing up of things will never produce a pleasant sylvan scene, nor a befitting foreground to the residence, but will ever be a confused mass of shrubbery, no matter how many fine and interesting specimens may be found therein. The disposition of the material of decoration of the lawn is a direct test of the planter's conception of design, of the beautiful in nature. If he plants simply as his fancy may direct regardless of the pattern of natural scenery, he can not expect to produce in time a sylvan picture resembling a beautiful natural scene, and therefore pleasing to every beholder. This is the point, where horticultural efforts must be assisted by artistic considerations, its discussion in this connection would lead us into matters appertaining to the art of landscape gardening, which we do not design to touch on this present occasion. It will suffice to say that lofty growing trees, shrubs and evergreens, should not be planted as the merest notion or accident may will it, but should be separated to some extent at least, and associated in such a manner as to form groups, whose development will not be impeded or prevented by surrounding trees.

Foresight to the future is indispensably necessary to success in ornamental planting, but most strangely ignored in many cases. Attempt to form a group of shade trees, where shade may be most desirable, select a spot where flowering shrubs and flowers may be in harmony to their surroundings, and plant the evergreens where they can develop freely, to form a pleasing contrast to the leafy trees. In this wise you will produce a striking and pleasant variety, whilst a promiscuous mixing up of shrubbery can only result in a confused mass of foliage, continually losing instead of gaining in beauty and attraction, as vegetation develops the true proportion of the different trees and shrubs.

It is impossible to offer to the planter any suggestions on ornamental planting of more vital importance, than to remind him of the necessity of a rational balance of light and shade, and of artistic a[illegible] of all the various mate[illegible] dis[illegible] but [illegible] a serious thought to these conditions, and [illegible] taste, coupled with horti[illegible], will soon discover a [illegible] way in a truly artistic direction in the pursuit of which, his grounds will forthwith gain in attractive natural beauty, and his mind will be gratified by a steady progress in the study of true rural art. Try the experiment this very fall, study the matter during winter, and with the return of spring you will be prepared to go to work more knowingly and more pleasantly than ever before, whilst the uncertainty and ignorance of what to do in the line of ornamentation has always prevented the proper efforts in this direction.

Shade trees and shrubbery can be transplanted now to the very best advantage, but evergreens are handled safest in the spring. Remember the usual pressure of work of all kind returning with each spring, and perform the pleasant duty of embellishing the home grounds in the season of leisure and comparative rest—that time is now—do not permit it to pass without doing something in the elevation of the standard of beauty of the home grounds, which are constantly in the sight of the family circle, and on the attraction of which much of the enjoyment of true happiness in rural life depends.

Pleasing surroundings of the home are far more important in the education of the family circle than most people are willing to see and to admit. The question is by no means one of mere gardening, but one of education, of nourishment and expansion of the mind.—*Colman's Rural World.*

TAME COBRAS.

A Man Who Made Pets of Two of the Most Venomous Serpents in the World.

Up in Poona, a delicate gentleman named Quain, passionately fond of natural history, was visited one morning by three Hindoo snake-charmers. In the bungalow compound, or garden, they showed off their time-immemorial tricks of making cobras raise themselves half up and sway gracefully to the harsh music of bamboo pipes.

It occurred to him that he might train a couple of snakes, and be in a position to observe their habits closely. He asked the snake-charmers if the fangs of the cobras were out, and seeing that he contemplated purchasing the snakes, they assured him, by Gunputi, that the fangs were undoubtedly extracted. For a few rupees he bought the reptiles and turned them loose in his own bedroom, where he used to watch them crawling along the bamboo matting, sniffing with their cold noses against the walls, or twisting themselves up within each other's coils like a slimy knot.

He made a little box for them, lined with cotton-wool, in which they used to creep in the heat of the day, for at night-time they were always peculiarly active, probably because the weather then was comparatively cool. In different parts of the room he laid down platters full of milk, and towards these the cobras crawled whenever they felt inclined for food. It would seem almost as if they knew his voice, for when Quain entered the room and spoke, they would lift their heads and crawl slowly in his direction. He even had a pet name for each, but I am not aware that any of them recognized it, for when he called, they would both wriggle quickly over to his feet. He often fed them himself when they came to him in this way, and many persons used to call and see Quain's loathsome pets, which were considered one of the wonders of the cantonments.

Ladies were frequently invited to call at Quain's bungalow, and see what a human being could do by kindness, etc., even with cobras: but they were more interested in the phenomenon in the abstract than in detail, and preferred to stay away and hear all about it from the officers who called upon them. Most of them agreed that Mr. Quain certainly had very singular tastes, and that it would be an outrage for any person to marry him. Quain, however, lived through warnings and ridicule, and went on feeding his cobras.

Quain had a small imported Scotch terrier, which was a great favorite, as it had a wag of the tail and a merry little bark for everybody that looked respectable and friendly. "Zip" used to go regularly into the cobra room with his master, and, after he became accustomed to the reptiles, would crouch down, bark at them, and then leap and tumble over their backs. The cobras would only wriggle out of the way, Zip following them and barking at their tails; so that everybody believed and said that the terrier and the snakes were the best of friends.

About four months after Quin's purchase of the cobras, he entered the room with some bread and milk and called them to him. Both glided noiselessly to his feet and lapped contentedly at the milk. Zip, pretending to be jealous, jumped forward barking, and leaped with his forepaws upon one of the cobras. It shook itself out, and went on lapping. Zip then went for its head, and jumping and running back, barking all the time, made a playful snap at its head. The cobras ceased lapping the milk, reared its head about a foot from the ground, and with its spectacled, outstretched hood, commenced waving the upper part of its body to and fro. Zip made one more jump forward.

Like lighting the cobra struck at the dog, and then wheeled off, hissing, to its lair beneath the couch. In ten minutes afterward, after enduring horrible sufferings, poor Zip lay dead with his master almost crying over his body. Quain then learned for the first time that a cobra can renew its fangs in about three months, that his pets had renewed their fangs, and that he had actually been playing with certain death for several weeks. The accidental death of the dog had in all probability saved his life.—*Youth's Companion.*

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